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PORTSMOUTH GETS WORST WAR RAID

Attacks Along Coast From Kent To Isle Of Wight Battles Rage Throughout Day Incessantly

ENEMY BOMBING ATTACKS WHICH BEGAN OVER THE KENT COAST YESTERDAY MORNING WERE LATER EXTENDED TO THE ISLE OF WIGHT AND PORTSMOUTH, WHERE LARGE FORCES WERE EMPLOYED, STATES A JOINT ADMIRALTY, AIR MINISTRY AND MINISTRY OF HOME SECURITY ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT.

An attack on the dockyard at Portsmouth met with little success; some bombs dropped on the outskirts of the dockyard area setting fire to a store and causing minor damage to a jetty. Two small harbour service craft were damaged and subsequently sank.

PORTLAND STANDS UP TO THE TEST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") As a result of the German mass air attacks on Portland on Sunday, British experts state that Britain's anti-aircraft defences are standing the test even better than was anticipated.—Havas.

In other parts of Portsmouth, a railway station was hit and a number of buildings, including a brewery, were set on fire.

Casualties were caused, including some deaths, but these were not numerous having regard to the large number of bombs dropped.

In the Isle of Wight a church and some houses were damaged and a few people injured.

Later reports have also been received of attacks on the coasts of Kent and Sussex.

Bombs were dropped at a number of points and slight damage caused to several R.A.F. aerodromes. Some houses and other civilian property were also hit.

Casualties in this area were very light although several cases of fatal injuries have been reported.

The enemy has been heavily engaged at all points by our defences which have again inflicted severe losses with few casualties to themselves.

70 In One Raid

A force of about 70 German bombers and fighters raided a south-east coast town last night but little damage was done. Many of the bombs fell in open country, others in the sea.

Another air battle was fought over a south-east coast town early last evening after bombs had been heard exploding some distance away.

Spitfires could be seen high up in the sky engaging about 20 Messerschmitts and they accounted for at least two.

After bursts of machine-gun fire one German plane came roaring over the town, wobbling and losing height. It came down in a cabbage field behind the town; the pilot was found wounded.

Another Out

Almost immediately another burst of firing followed and a second enemy plane was seen to dive. The pilot baled out. Machine and pilot both fell in the sea and the pilot was later picked up by a lifeboat.

SHANGHAI BRISTLING WITH UNIFORMS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai is a city bristling with uniforms and barricades on the anniversary of the Shanghai war.

British troops, probably for the last time prior to their departure, are manning their sector in full strength, while the Volunteers are mobilised.

The situation is absolutely quiet but the extraordinary precautions will be continued all day to-day.

Chinese amusement resorts are remaining closed and curfew is strictly enforced. Japanese troops are manoeuvring north of the city and machine-gun fire was heard in the western outskirts this morning.—Havas.

Five Japanese planes were shot down by Chinese pursuits during the dog-fight on August 11, while six others were badly damaged.—Central News.

S'HA1 CLUE TO RING OF KIDNAPPERS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Discovery on board a Chinese coastal ship in Shanghai of four Chinese children, kidnapped and being taken to Amoy, has led the Shanghai police to a large ring specialising in abduction.

The ring has ramifications in many ports on the Lower Yangtze and along the whole Chinese coast.

Twenty members of the gang are now under arrest in Shanghai.

The gang is suspected during the last months of having kidnapped more than 200 children, mostly boys under 10.—Havas.

LARGE PROFITS OF BANK OF MANCHUKUO

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

An unprecedented profit of over 10 million yen for the first six months of 1940 was announced in Hsinking yesterday by the Bank of Manchukuo. The figure shows an increase of 11,500,000 yen over the corresponding period in 1940.—Havas.

FEELING THE OIL PINCH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE TOKYO POLICE YESTERDAY WARNED OWNERS OF PRIVATE CARS THAT THEY WOULD BE DEPRIVED OF THEIR PETROL RATION IF THEY USE THEIR VEHICLES FOR TRANSPORTATION TO PLACES OF ENTERTAINMENT.

The ban includes transportation to theatres, race tracks, golf links and pleasure drives.

First offenders will be given "severe lectures" and second offenders deprived of their ration tickets.

The police have been instructed to maintain a sharp watch on all amusement centres and to take the license numbers of all private cars there.—Havas.

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SOLDIER FINISHES OFF JERRY WITH LEWIS-GUN

YESTERDAY'S GERMAN AIR RAIDS ON ENGLAND PRODUCED A CROP OF REMARKABLE INSTANCES OF COOLNESS AND COURAGE; FOR INSTANCE, A SURGEON HAD JUST STARTED A CRITICAL MASTOID OPERATION ON A WOMAN PATIENT IN THE OPERATING THEATRE OF A HOSPITAL IN A SOUTH-EAST TOWN WHEN A BOMB CRASHED NEARBY.

The surgeon and his staff of five courageously carried on with their task for over half an hour until the operation was successfully concluded.

Similar calm courage was displayed by townspeople generally though many people taking cover in Anderson shelters could hear destruction raining on their own homes.

FAN-TAN SCHOOL IN RESTAURANT

Over \$400 was seized from the table by the police when they raided a fan-tan school on the third floor of the Sun Kei Yuen Restaurant, Des Voeux Road Central, last night.

Led by Det.-Sergt. Cullinan, the police party found 21 persons, business men, brokers and shop proprietors, engaged in the fan-tan game and arrested all.

Two were released on bail of \$250 each and nineteen on bail of \$15 each.

This morning none of those arrested appeared before Mr. G. T. Lawry when the case was called at Central Magistracy. The bails were estrated and \$406.40 table money was ordered to be placed in the Poor Box.

RECORD GOLD OUTPUT IN S. AFRICA

The London Stock Exchange was steady yesterday though trading was quiet. Egyptian bonds were notably firm despite international uncertainties. Gilt-edged failed fully to maintain initial gains while industrials moved narrowly. Kaffirs hardened late in the session on favourable reaction to a record output of gold in July. Wall Street was quietly steady. — Reuter.

ARMY LORRY AND TRAM COLLIDE

A collision between a military truck and a tramcar in Shauiwan was reported to the Police last night by Private Bathe of the Middlesex Regiment.

It appears that Bathe was driving along Taikoo Street when he had to swerve to avoid a pedestrian, Miss Janet Chang, of No. 47, Leighton Hill Road, resulting in the crash into the tram. Both vehicles were badly damaged.

TRINIDAD FUND FOR THE RED CROSS

The Trinidad and Tobago branch of the British Red Cross has cabled a further £15,000 to London headquarters raising the colony's contributions to the Overseas Fund to £20,000. Liberal gifts have come from the Chinese community, the Portuguese Club, East Indians, West Indians, the Venezuelan community, the American community and Jewish refugees. — British Wireless.

TOWN RECAPTURED

Chinese forces have recaptured Shangkin, east of Lungchow in south Kwangsi. — Central News.

One house was utterly demolished. The backs of two others were ripped clean away. The corner of a fourth was blown off.

Hardly a window anywhere near remained intact. Tiles and slates littered the roads. Doors hung drunkenly on their hinges.

Yet in a short time the A.R.P. services sprang into action and cleared the debris away.

100 Engaged

In an air battle over the south-east coast over 100 machines were in the air.

A.A. fire crippled several planes while fighters brought down at least five over the sea.

The pilot of one machine parachuted into the Channel and was dead when picked up six miles away.

Another enemy machine was badly hit by A.A. fire and the pilot tried to land his machine in lop-sided fashion but a bombardier rushed out of a hedge with a Lewis-gun and peppered the machine. A British fighter squadron signalled him to get out of the way but he stuck to his task and finished off the machine.

Three bodies were found in the plane; one is believed to be a 24-year-old German count. — Reuter.

PRISON FOR DEALERS IN CHILDREN

How timely interference by Chinese constable, Wong King, at Taipo Railway Station Pier on Sunday, prevented four children from being "smuggled" into Chinese territory, was mentioned before Mr. E. Himsworth this morning in a case in which a man and two women were charged with the unlawful transfer of Kwok Ho, 13-year-old girl, and Kwok Mui, eight-year-old boy.

Accused, Lo Kwok-ming, 39, unemployed seaman, his wife, Chan Tai, 38, and the mother of the two children, Wong Pat, 39, were sentenced to six months' hard labour and ordered to be expelled from the Colony. The four children were ordered to be placed in the custody of the S.C.A.

Inspector Moreton, of the S.C.A., stated that at 7.30 a.m. on Sunday, the constable, on duty at the Pier, saw first and second accused board a launch for Sha-yu-chung with two girls and two boys.

The constable questioned the children in the presence of the couple and was told that the couple were not their parents but that they had been sold to them.

SOMALILAND: NO OPERATIONS

A communique issued in Cairo yesterday said there was nothing to report from the Western Desert. In the Sudan and Palestine there was no activity to report.

In Somaliland no operations are reported and the enemy have made no advance.

Kenya reports of reconnaissance units indicate that the enemy is holding Dohol. — Reuter.

GOEBBELS' BEST FEAT TO DATE

The official German news agency in Berlin last night admitted that 17 German planes are missing after yesterday's air battles "over Portsmouth and other parts of the Channel."

Among German claims regarding yesterday's attacks are a claim that 40 bombers accompanied by fighters which raided Portsmouth "were able to drop their bombs peacefully without interference from British fighters and extremely inaccurate anti-aircraft fire."

It was also asserted that "English fighters kept their distance and when the Germans closed, they fled."

It was further claimed that 23 British planes were shot down. "The fact that the British air force are avoiding engagement's accounts for the small number!" — Reuter.

FARM HANDS CAPTURE NAZI PILOT

Suffering from bad wounds in the leg, one of the crew of a German plane who made a parachute descent on a farm in south-eastern England yesterday was held up with a double-barrelled gun by farm employees and later handed over to the police.

Another of the crew jumped from the machine into the sea and was drowned.

A passing motorist who saw the descent on the farm and loaded his revolver on route to the spot, searched the injured man, took him to his home and gave him brandy before handing him over to the police. — Reuter.

SPAIN'S INTENTIONS

A MOSCOW REPORT APPEARING IN THE FOREIGN PRESS HAS BROUGHT THE FOLLOWING DENIAL FROM THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT THROUGH ITS EMBASSY IN LONDON:—

"Rumours in the foreign press to the effect that Spanish ships at present in foreign ports have received instructions not to sail are false, fantastic and entirely devoid of foundation."

Such an order, says the Embassy, has not been issued and Spanish ships will continue to carry on with their normal trade. — Reuter.

ITALIAN ACCUSATION DENIED

An official denial was issued in Athens yesterday of the Italian report that Dauthoggia, Albanian patriot, had been assassinated by Greek agents. — Reuter.

BLENHEIMS RAID NEAR CHERBOURG

A German aircraft moving along a flare path on an aerodrome near Cherbourg last night was bombed by a Blenheim of the Coastal Command.

The Blenheim pilot saw many lights moving quickly along the flare path as he came in to attack. His bombs burst very close to them.

Others of his squadron attacked oil tanks at Cherbourg. They started big fires.

As they flew away, gunners and observers could see flames rising punctuated by violent upheavals as other tanks caught fire.

Another flight of Coastal Command Blenheims set out during the night to attack a German oil depot on the Dutch coast. The weather was bad and only one aircraft was able to find the target. The pilot dropped all his bombs directly on the target area. — British Wireless.

MADRAS WAR FUND

The Madras Governor's War Fund for the purchase of aircraft now amounts to £33,704. Lord Beaverbrook has cabled to the Governor of Madras expressing the nation's gratitude. A Madras Presidency squadron is to be established with machines named after districts subscribing to the Fund. — British Wireless.

CHOOSE: ME OR EVACUEE, SAID WIFE

A MOTHER OF three sons admitted that she gave her husband an ultimatum threatening to leave him if he billeted an evacuee.

She said, too, that she would not take one into her home even during a "dire state of emergency." As a result of her ultimatum, her husband — Richard Leighfield, of Goddard Avenue, Swindon, Wilts — refused to billet a schoolboy.

He was fined £25 and ordered to pay £2 2s. costs at Swindon Police Court for not complying with a billeting notice. He had pleaded not guilty.

His wife, Mrs. Daisy K. Leighfield, said she had made up her mind she was not going to take the child.

Asked by her husband's solicitor, Mr. Harold Lemon, what she would have done if her husband had taken the boy, she said: "I should have left the house and left Swindon."

Then came this dialogue: Mr. Lemon: If he takes the child now what will you do? — I am definitely leaving the town and my husband.

"Enough To Do"

Why do you refuse to take the child? — I have my own three sons and the house. I have quite enough to do. They would not agree with a stranger in the house.

Mr. G. H. Rountree, prosecuting, asked Mrs. Leighfield: "Do you wish the Bench to take it

NAVY GETS ITS OWN BAG

Five German planes were brought down by the Royal Navy on Sunday, it was revealed in London last evening.

The news is contained in an Admiralty communique stating: With reference to the communique issued earlier to-day information has now been received that five enemy aircraft were shot down by anti-aircraft fire during an action between His Majesty's ships and enemy aircraft on Sunday.

The first enemy aircraft was shot down by H.M.S. Windsor. H.M. trawler Edwardian shot down the second.

Anti-aircraft fire from the ships was so intense and so accurate that it is impossible to state with certainty which vessels shot down the other three. It is most probable that Edwardian and the trawler Peter Carey each accounted for at least one of them. There was no loss of life in Windsor or Peter Carey. — Reuter.

A Few Casualties

It was officially announced in London yesterday that H.M. trawler Edwardian on Sunday shot down an enemy dive bomber and so damaged another that it is unlikely to have reached its base. The trawler suffered a few casualties. — Reuter.

FRENCH AIR FIGURES

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH AMERICAN PRESS CORRESPONDENTS, THE FRENCH UNDER-SECRETARY FOR AIR AT VICHY STATES THAT THE FRENCH AIR FORCE, FROM THE START OF THE INVASION OF THE LOW COUNTRIES, MAY 10, UP TO JUNE 6, BROUGHT DOWN 982 NAZI PLANES, AT A LOSS OF 306 FRENCH AIRCRAFT.

The French planes, he said, were in a numerical inferiority of five to one. — Reuter.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN OFF FOR HOLIDAY

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord President of the Council, left his nursing home yesterday. He has been convalescing following his recent operation.

After lunching at 11 Downing Street, he left London with Mrs. Chamberlain for a short rest in the country. — Reuter.

R.A.F. HITS BACK OVER WIDE AREA: OIL PLANT GOES UP

BRITISH OFFICER KILLED ON N.W. FRONTIER

It was officially announced in Simla yesterday that Captain H. L. V. Russell and one Indian other rank were killed and 14 Indian other ranks wounded and one missing in a recent engagement with hostile tribes on the Bannu-Miranshah road, on the North-West Frontier.

The engagement took place last Wednesday in the village of Tappi. The enemy are believed to have lost five killed and seven wounded. —Reuter.

NINETEEN FOREIGNERS UNDER ARREST

Nineteen foreigners have been arrested in Manchukuo since July on a charge of engaging in "malicious propaganda against Japan," according to a semi-official Japanese source in Tokyo today.

The arrests are being continued, the same source state, adding that the majority of the foreigners received broadcasts from New York or Moscow on short-wave radios, the contents of which were anti-Japanese.

Nationalities of the arrested persons are not revealed. —Reuter.

GRENADA'S WAR GRANT

A special session of the Legislative Council of Grenada yesterday unanimously voted a grant of £15,000 to the British Government "as a token of the Colony's earnest desire to assist in the common cause of prosecuting to a victorious conclusion the war which is being waged for the preservation of those principles of humanity, liberty and freedom held dear by all people of the Colonial Empire." —British Wire- less.

MISSING BARONET IS A PRISONER OF WAR

News has been received at his home at Marden Park, Woldingham, Surrey, that Captain Sir Peter Greenwell, Bart., Royal Artillery, reported missing on May 23, is a prisoner of war in Ger-

AN AIR MINISTRY communique issued in London last night states that high-level bombing of enemy aerodromes was carried out on Sunday, when the enemy occupied aerodromes at Dinard and Caen were attacked and a seaplane slipway at Brest damaged; Guernsey airport was again bombed.

A Coastal Command aircraft while on reconnaissance off the French coast shot down an enemy fighter into the sea.

Oil was again the main objective of our bomber aircraft in night raids. The synthetic oil plant at Dortmund blew up with a violent explosion and the plant at Castrop Rauxel was fired on.

Plant at Gelsenkirchen, Wanne-Eickel were also heavily attacked. Other aircraft attacked the oil depot at Cherbourg where tanks were set on fire.

Military objectives in Dusseldorf, Wanne-Eickel, Hattingen and Dortmund were also attacked, and Hamme and Soest received their usual visit.

A number of enemy planes were also bombed. In all these operations three of our aircraft were lost.

Violent Explosion

The crew of an R.A.F. aircraft which bombed the Hoesch benzine and synthetic oil plant at Dortmund reported on returning that they had witnessed an exceptionally violent explosion, states the Air Ministry news service.

An early raider at midnight dropped four bombs on the oil plant and a big blue flash followed. There was a violent explosion and even though they were flying at several thousand feet the crew of the bomber could hear it above the roar of the engines which usually drowns the noise of explosions.

A large fire followed the explosion.

Krupps Again

A half hour attack just before midnight by several bombers left the Klockner Winterhall oil plant at Castrop-Rauxel burning briskly, while another section of raiders in the early hours yesterday severely damaged the Krupp Triebstoffwerke at Wanne Eickel causing widespread fires, repeated explosions and dense clouds of thick black smoke.

At Gelsenkirchen over 50 heavy bombs and many incendiaries were dropped on the Gelsenberg Benzine Company's oil plant and here too fires and explosions were caused.

The pilot of an aircraft which attacked Dortmund electricity power station near Herecke saw four bombs hit the buildings and a vivid blue flash follow.

Another electric power station was bombed at Hattingen, where three fires were started.

Daylight Raids

Accurate bombing from high altitudes was a feature of the daylight raids by medium bombers.

Guernsey airport was bombed for the third day running.

The aerodrome and seaplane base at Brest were successfully bombed.

Fires were caused at Dinard aerodrome and at Caen aerodrome a building was hit with high explosives. —Reuter.

many. He is well.

Sir Peter, who is twenty-six, is a stockbroker, and son of the late Sir Bernard Greenwell. He was married in February to Miss Henrietta Haig-Thomas second daughter of Mr. and Lady Alexandra Haig-Thomas.

B.B.C. MALTESE BROADCAST

THE FIRST B.B.C. BROADCAST IN MALTESE HAS DRAWN A WARM RECEPTION FROM THE PEOPLE OF THAT ISLAND.

The "Times of Malta," commenting on the pure form of Maltese used in the broadcast, points out that Maltese is not a form of Italian, as Rome would like to make it.

It is the language of the Phoenicians and of Carthage and ranks with Hindustani as one of the oldest languages in the British Empire.

It is over 3,000 years old and has resisted the onslaughts of Italianisation. —Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN MANOEUVRES

ONE THOUSAND AUSTRALIAN TROOPS HAVE BEGUN A 100-MILES "HIKE" ACROSS THE BLUE MOUNTAINS TO BATHURST, NEW SOUTH WALES.

They are wearing full service kit and will carry out intensive training en route, including training against dive-bombing attacks carried out by the Royal Australian Air Force.

Further batches of 1,000 will follow at two-day intervals. —Reuter.

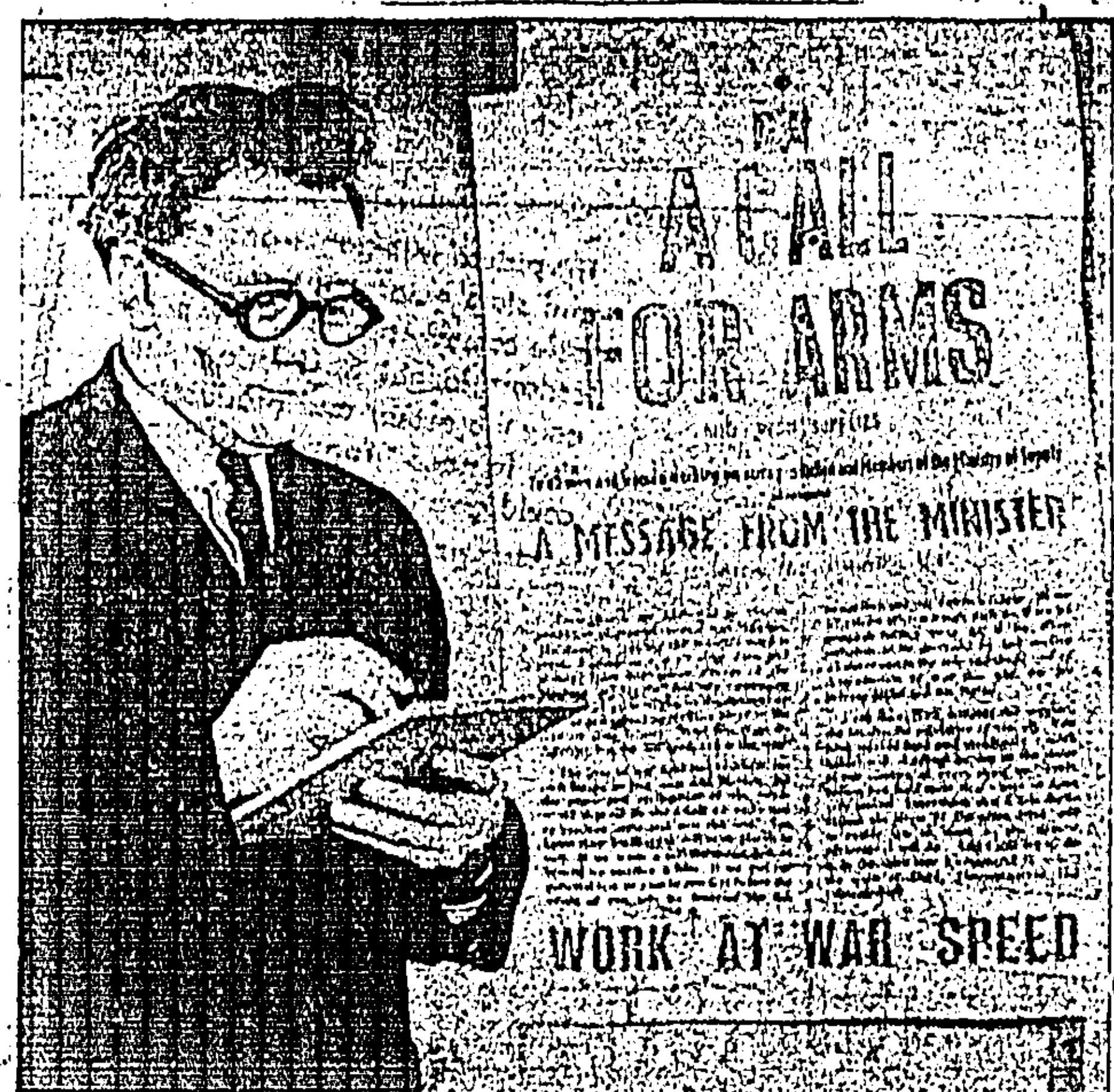
*** The Blue Mountains are covered with eucalyptus trees. The highest peak is 4,100 feet, the average being about the size of Talmoshan.

"BOMBS WELCOMED HERE"

THE OTHER DAY, FOUR NAZI BOMBS FELL ON A CRICKET-GROUND "SOMEWHERE IN SOUTH-EAST ENGLAND." THE FOLLOWING NOTICE NOW APPEARS ON THE GATES:—

"Local cricketers are as pleased as you. Each 'pear-drop' which falls on this ground saved lives and property.

"We shall carry on. Nothing which falls from the skies will deter us except rain." —Reuter.



Mr. Herbert Morrison the Minister of Supply at work in his office. (Copyright, Fox).

VOLUNTEER INJURED

Another member of the M.M.G. Company of the Volunteers, G. Knight, was injured in an accident yesterday.

He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from multiple injuries and abrasions after a collision between his motor-cycle and car No. 1235, at the corner of Nathan Road and Prince Edward Road.

Both vehicles were damaged, but the driver of the car, Chai Sau-kan, was unhurt.

RECOGNITION OF ABSORPTION INVITED

The Foreign Affairs Commissariat in Moscow has sent a Note to foreign Embassies and Legations asking them to arrange to close all diplomatic and consular establishments in the Baltic States by August 25. This follows the incorporation of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia in the Soviet Union. —Reuter.

MOTHER OF FOUR KILLED IN REVOLVER ACCIDENT

A firearm accident during a family reunion caused the death of the mother of four children.

Mr. Joseph Machin, of Thicket Avenue, Fishponds, Bristol, was examining his soldier brother's revolver when it went off.

The bullet struck Mrs. Machin, who was aged thirty-seven.

Mr. Machin's brother Leonard was home on leave. He was about to go when Mrs. Machin came in.

During the conversation, Mr. Machin's son, aged nine, asked what was under his uncle's coat. Mr. Machin then took up the revolver to find its weight, and there was a sudden flash.

The four children are twin girls aged twelve and two boys aged nine and four.

BRITISH CHILDREN IN NEW YORK

A British liner arrived in New York yesterday with 162 British children on board. —Reuter.

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Experience Of War Confounds Balloon Barrage Sceptics

THE BRITISH PRESS yesterday devoted itself to a number of topics, but Sunday's great air battle—in which the Germans lost 60 'planes and the R.A.F. 26—were naturally one of the chief topics.

The German targets were over a wide area and included a convoy off the East Coast, Weymouth and Portland. Attacks were made on barrage balloons, but the number of Nazi 'planes shot down was out of all proportion to their bag of two balloons.

On Sunday afternoon, the German radio interrupted its programme to announce that 73 British 'planes had been destroyed, as compared with a German loss of only 17. Later, the British loss was stepped up to 89!

In sober fact, the figures up to late Sunday night were 60 German 'planes and 26 British fighters. These figures, as the "Daily Telegraph" pointed out yesterday, are "subject to correction" as fresh reports come in.

Unofficial reports state the Germans actually lost 65 'planes, but if adjustment is to be made it will be in accordance with the facts and not with the dictates of unscrupulous propaganda.

On this occasion, the "Daily Telegraph" points out, the Germans were unable to follow their usual practice of exactly reversing the true figures because when they issued their communique they had not got the British figures to reverse!

They accordingly reversed the "probabilities." But the world is already very well acquainted with Nazi mathematical manoeuvres and not many will be deceived by the latest German effort.

"Silver Sausages"

Londoners have grown very used to the "Silver Sausages in the Sky" and at times one is apt to forget the barrage balloons are not intended purely for decoration. Some people have even laughed at them.

The "News Chronicle" pointed out yesterday that the actual experience of war has confounded the sceptics. They have proved one of the best weapons there is against dive-bombers and low-flying 'planes, and no doubt that is why the Nazi 'planes made such fierce attacks on them on Sunday.

The attempts proved a costly failure. The number of German 'planes brought down was out of all proportion to their "bag."

"We hope they will try again," says the "News Chronicle."

Symbolic Gesture

During the week-end, the giant British flying-boat *Clare* returned to Britain from Canada and the United States, completing her first round trip. She carried six passengers and mail, including a message from Mayor La Guardia of New York to the Lord Mayor of London.

The "Daily Telegraph" stresses the importance of the flight as a symbolic gesture. It is good to resume the air link with America, at a moment when the aeroplane is the instrument par excellence for the military destruction of nations.

It reminds us that man has not wholly forgotten the civilising uses to which he can put his mastery of the elements.

The Riom Trials

The "war-guilt" trials at Riom were another subject of comment by the British press yesterday.

The "Daily Express" suggests that the trials may have one benefit. They may set the precedent for the real trials to prove the "war-guilt" when Hitler is beaten.

The "Manchester Guardian" says there are good reasons why one day France should investigate pre-war and post-war policies. But these trials are merely instru-

ments in support of private ambitions and which help Hitler and Mussolini deceive their people.

After The War

The "Daily Herald," like Mr. J. B. Priestly in his broadcast talks yesterday looked ahead to the new world after the war.

The Labour paper refers to the document issued last February setting forth the war and peace aims of the Labour Party, and says that there should be a similar declaration of principles by which all members of the Government are prepared to stand.

This would not only warm the hearts of neutrals but would also be a standard round which Hitler's enemies can rally, not only in the conquered countries but also in Germany itself.—Reuter.

BUMPER WHEAT CROP IN NORTH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The recent heavy rains lead to expectations of a bumper wheat crop throughout North China, it was stated in Peiping this morning. Harvesting in Honan, Shantung and Hopei have yielded 159 million piculs of wheat showing an increase of over one-third compared to last year's harvest.—Havas.

ITALIANS DRAW AN INFERENCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The loss of the British submarines *Oswald* and *Odin* is argued by Rome as "proof that the British have had to abandon the Malta naval base."

These are big, long-range submarines, Italian official circles state. If Malta was still available as a base, smaller craft would be used.—Havas.

FRENCH "WAR GUILT" TRIAL

Radio Lyons stated yesterday that the French Supreme Court is sitting at Riom today to hear the Prosecutor-General, M. Chassaingneau, open the case in the "war guilt" trial.

Radio Lyons also stated that the demobilisation of France's armed forces in the unoccupied zone is expected to be completed within three days.—Reuter.

BURGLAR SURPRISED

With the assistance of Mr. de Souza, who resides in the same house, No. 37, Granville Road, Mr. T. Barnes caught a burglar trying to break in through a shutter at 2 a.m. to-day.

The burglar was surprised on the verandah, broke away but was chased and arrested.

To-day, Mr. Himsforth sentenced the man, Li Kan, 23, to two months' hard labour for being on the verandah for an unlawful purpose and six months for breach of a Deportation Order.

FISH HAWKERS FIGHT OVER STALLS

Charged with wounding Wong Yan, 33, fish hawker, at Mongkok Market on August 2, Keung Kun, 21, also a fish hawker, was fined \$50, or six weeks' hard labour, by Mr. E. Himsforth this morning.

Inspector T. K. Whelan, prosecuting, said accused started an argument with other hawkers in the Market over the position of their stalls, picked up a chopper and attacked them.

Wong Yan made attempt to stop the fight but was struck by accused with the chopper on the back and leg.

When the police arrived they found both Wong Yan and accused bleeding and had them removed to hospital.

30 YEARS OF HAPPINESS ---READY TO DIE

"I HAVE HAD THIRTY YEARS of such great happiness, for which I thank my parents above all, that I do not complain if it is to end now."

These words were part of a last message written by Lieutenant and Gordon Potts, thirty, who, with his brother, Captain Michael Potts, was killed in action the same day.

The message was found among his papers by his widowed mother, Mrs. Potts, of Hagley Road, Birmingham, who attended a memorial service at St. John's Church, Ladywood, Birmingham, in memory of her two sons.

"I am writing this in case anything should happen to me," Lieutenant Potts's document began. "I am not gloomy as to the prospect but I prefer to be prepared."

"I want first of all to make it clear that I shall bear no bitterness of any kind to anyone

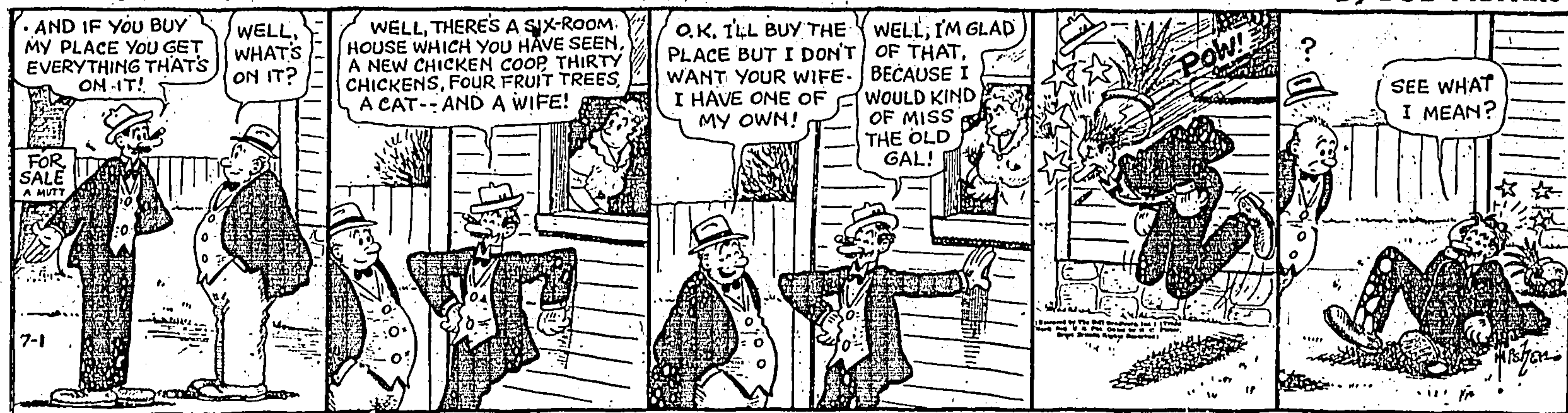
whatever may happen. I hope everyone else will be able to face the future without hate, bitterness or fear."

Did Not Complain
"Inasmuch as we let these passions have a play in 1919 we are, I think, partly to blame for what is now happening. But I feel that our policy for the last three years could not have been otherwise."

"My own life, has been extraordinarily happy. I have had thirty years of greater happiness than one could reasonably expect, and if it is only to be thirty and not ninety, I do not complain. No one could have had better parents or brothers."

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



NATAL'S HANDSOME DONATIONS

Further donations of £147,000 have been received from the Speed the Planes Fund through the South Africa Governor General's Fund and is being remitted to London. To this the provinces contributed as follows: Natal, where the Fund originated, £102,000, which brings their contribution to £202,000; Cape Province £42,000; Transvaal £2,000 and South West Africa £250.—British Wireless.

DOCTOR'S ESCAPE

A doctor at an R.A.F. Station in the West of England was walking across the landing ground of an aerodrome when he found himself in the path of a bomber roaring forward to take off. He flung himself on the ground and the fore part of the plane—one of the heaviest types of bomber, cleared him, but the tail wheel ran up his back and over his head. The doctor is back on duty after recovering from concussion and a grazed chin.

BRITON GIVES UP ITALIAN TITLE

Capt. Baron George Marochetti, late of the 11th (P.A.O.) Hussars, and a British subject, has relinquished the title of baron, which was bestowed by the King of Sardinia on his grandfather, a sculptor who cast for Landseer the lions in Trafalgar Square.

BRITAIN'S 4TH ARM NOW IN FRONT LINE

BRITAIN'S NEW FOURTH ARM, the Civil Defence Services, is now in the front line. Air raiding has begun in earnest.

To the men and women in these services, Mr. William Mabane, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Home Security, said in a broadcast:—

"You who have been in action have set a magnificent example which I know those who have not been called out are dead keen to follow."

"Your fellow citizens have every reason to be thankful for your devotion and public spirit." "For months you have been on your toes. You were waiting for the challenge. The challenge has come. However swift, dire, ruthless it may be you will accept it."

"Since last September," said Mr. Mabane, "our three Fighting Services have been in action. Each has added glorious pages to its history."

"Now the fourth, the new arm, the Civil Defence Services, is in action."

"To-night I speak to all of you men and women who belong to those services. I am proud of this chance, for in these dangerous days you are in the front line."

"You have had a long period of waiting. Sometimes your purpose has been misunderstood. You have not wasted your time."

"Some of you have been in action. You have suffered your first casualty of war. John Punton, an Old Contemptible of the last war, has died at his post as an air raid warden in this."

"You have turned up in full numbers, both full-time and part-time personnel. You have been prompt on the job. You have carried out splendidly all you have been trained to do. Your regional commissioners are full of your praise."

"If you have friends not yet in the Services get them with you. Get them trained. Then we shall have reserves. We want unlimited reserves."

"Your Great Task"

"To all of you I would say, keep your discipline tight. This great and intricate organisation, wholly voluntary, and almost wholly unpaid, depends on orders being carried out swiftly. Speed in getting the Services on the spot is the essence of success."

"Discipline will help you, too, in your first duty, that of maintaining morale in your own area. You are doing that well."

"I want to tell you how keen is the interest at the Ministry of Home Security in you all. We know the great task now in your hands."

"You have the stern duty of maintaining the normal life of the community whenever bombs may fall. You have to save the lives, the homes, the industry of the nation."

"You have to reduce Hitler's dividend when his bombers come. Already you have begun to show how you can do it."

"That silver badge you are all entitled to wear will take its place among the great emblems of this people."

KEEP-FIT-FOR-SERVICE GAMES

A national fitness-for-service scheme under the chairmanship of Viscount Hampden is to be launched soon.

Details of the scheme were given to the management committee of the Football League at a meeting at Harrogate.

It has been drawn up by the Central Council of Recreative Physical Training with the collaboration of the F.A.

The scheme is to give youths and men the opportunity of taking part in voluntary training and games designed to get them and keep them fit.

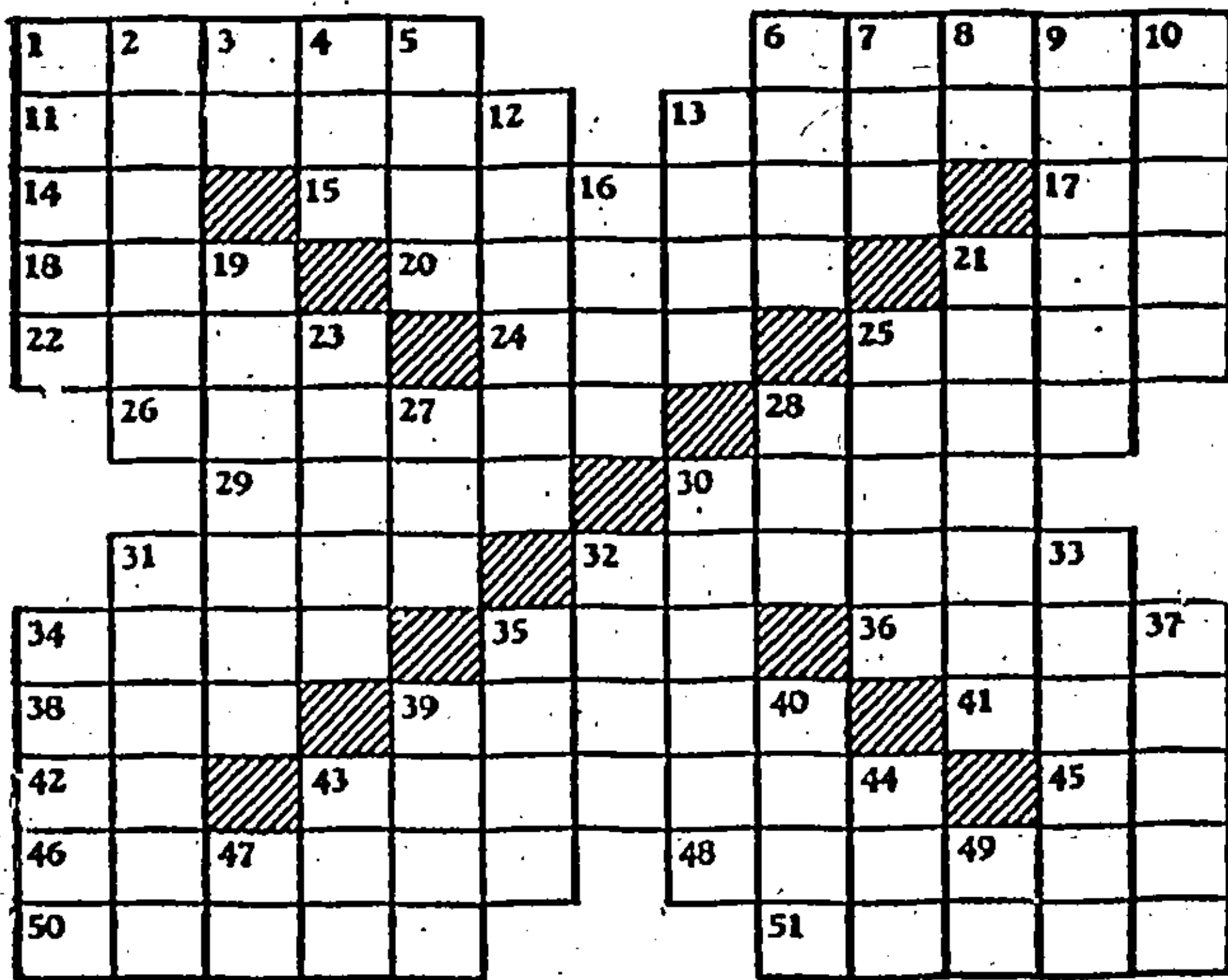
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- 13 Small carnivore
- 14 Conjunction
- 15 To defend
- 17 Babylonian deity
- 18 Anglo-Saxon money
- 20 Restriction
- 21 Siamese coin
- 22 Well-mannered
- 24 Conjunction
- 25 Competent
- 26 Railroad stations
- 28 To escape
- 29 Timbre
- 30 Lure
- 31 Constructed
- 32 To scold
- 34 To appoint
- 35 Pike-like fish
- 36 Kind
- 38 Part of "to be"
- 39 Three-masted vessel
- 41 Cheer

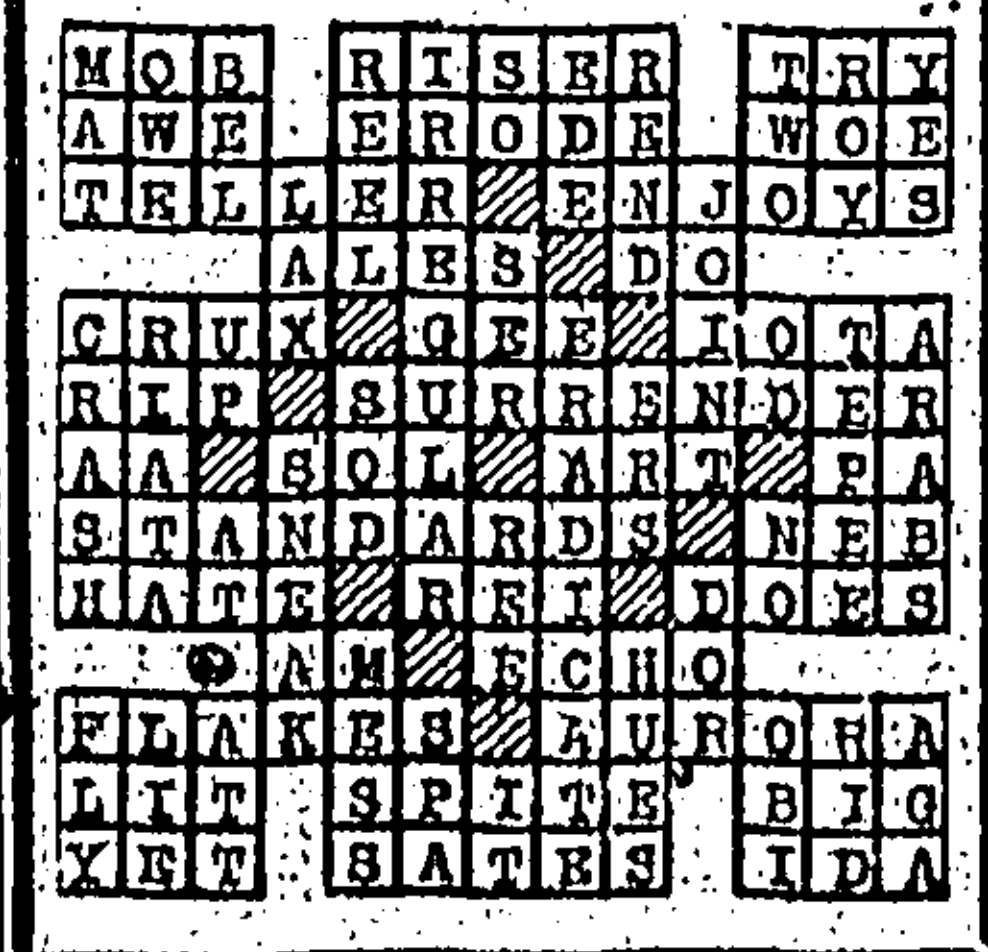
VERTICAL

- 1 To sing
- 2 Dreadful
- 3 While
- 4 Cue
- 5 Hindu weights
- 6 Party
- 7 To make lace

VERTICAL

- 8 Pronoun
- 9 To jut out
- 10 Rearranged list
- 12 To have succession
- 13 To go
- 16 Increases in cans
- 19 Salt of acetic acid
- 21 Accessory
- 22 Lyric poem
- 23 Assumed name
- 27 Unit
- 28 Distant
- 30 Deprived
- 31 Kind of wool
- 32 Newborn child
- 33 Rubber
- 34 Pertaining to apples
- 35 Obtains
- 37 Pronoun
- 39 Indian pillars
- 40 Mongrels
- 43 Marsh
- 44 Illumined
- 47 Italian for "yes"
- 49 To exist

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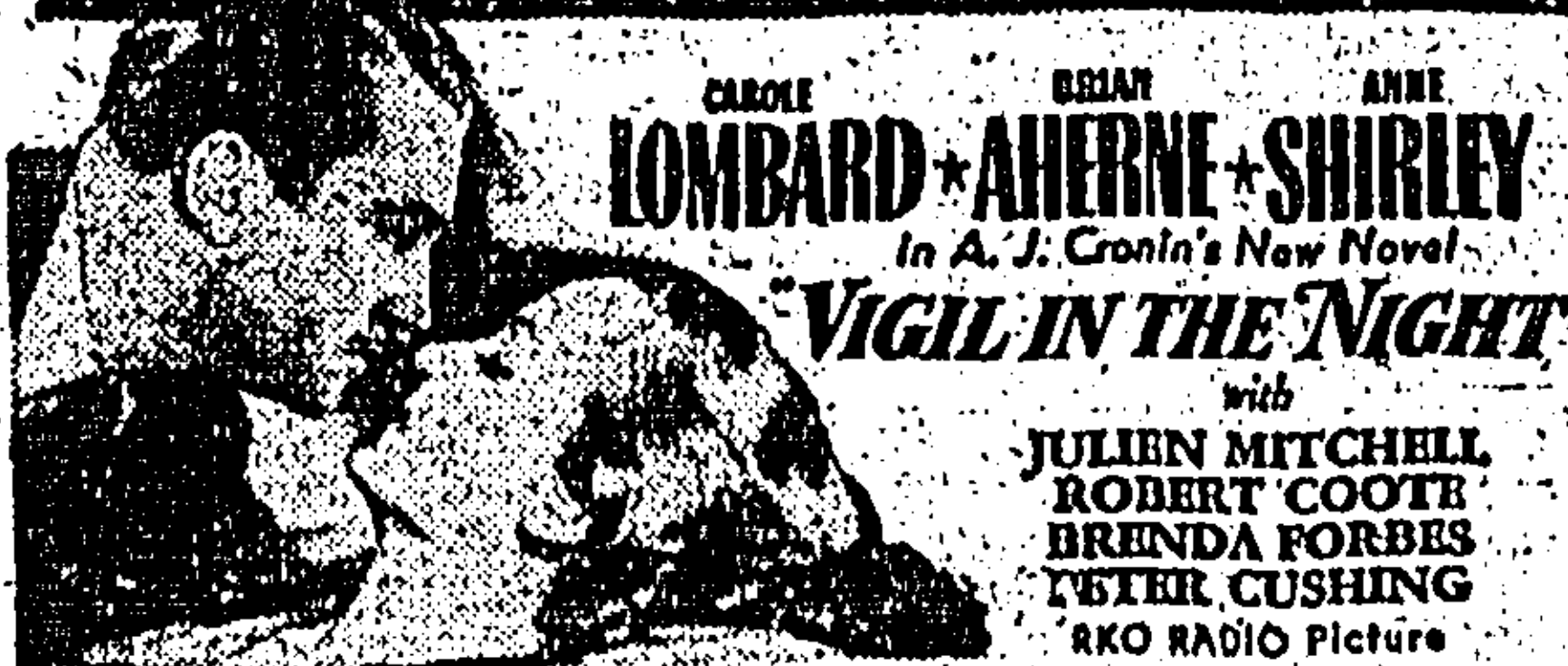
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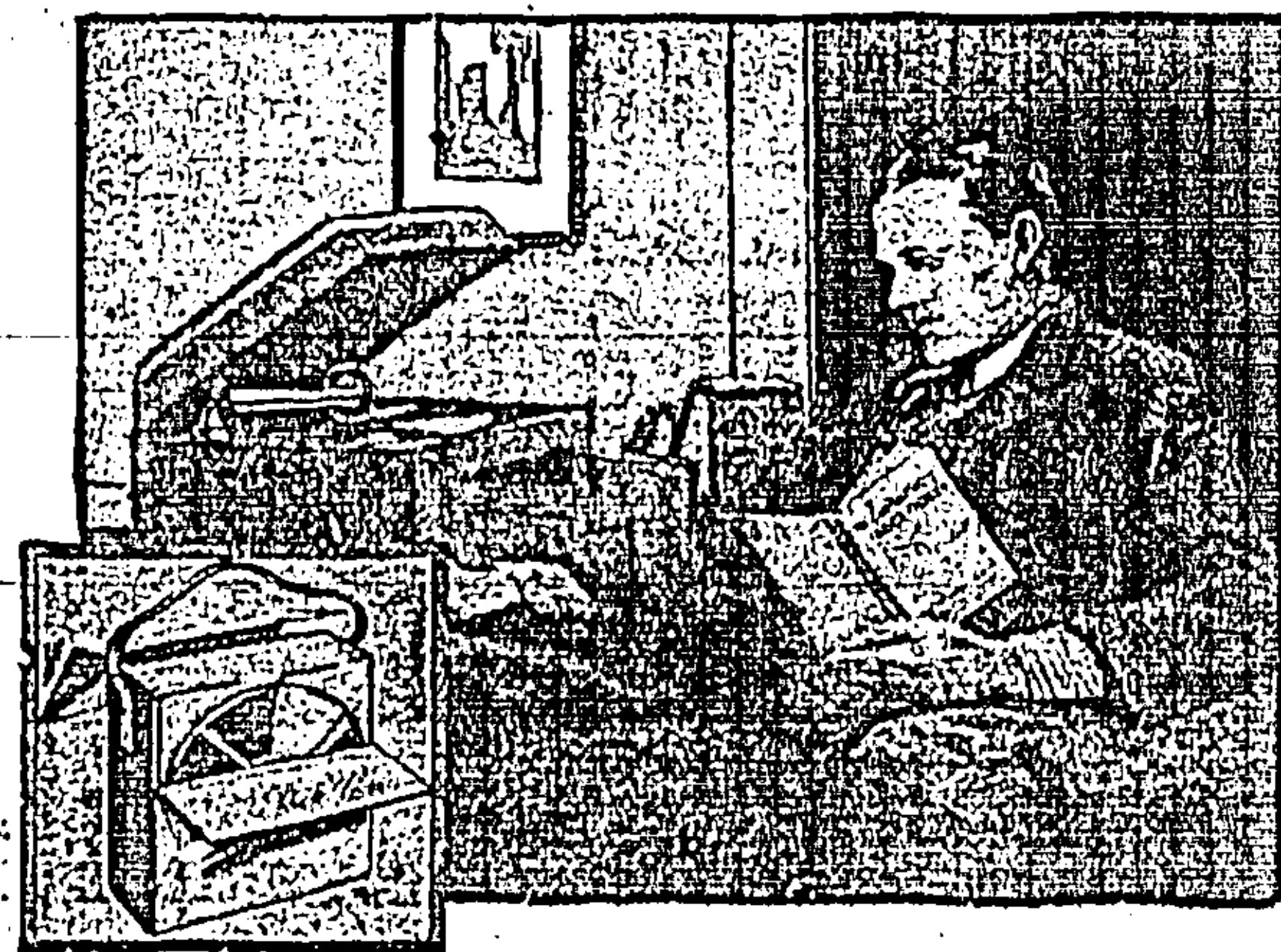


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Feeling In Germany Rising Against The Gestapo

FROM A VARIETY of sources in Nazi Germany and in neighbouring countries like Hungary, Slovakia and the "Protectorate" of the former Czech Republic, reports are arriving of a growing new feeling against the Gestapo among the Germans.

Hitherto, the Gestapo aroused the hatred mostly of the peoples subjected by the Germans, such as the Czechs, Slovaks, Poles and Jews. But lately the feeling is spreading among the Germans themselves. Himmler is now the most hated of all public men in Germany and the Gestapo is looked upon with great disfavour.

It appears that one of the chief reasons for this is the resentment felt because members of the Gestapo are exempt from military service. With the army casualty lists mounting daily, the average German man and woman sees that the Gestapo men are safe and sound and having a pretty good time at that, while their own sons, husbands and brothers are exposed to fearful casualties at the front. Considering that the Gestapo now employs nearly a million-and-a-half men, there is no wonder that hatred is becoming widespread.

To counteract this tendency, Himmler and his agents have recently started to arrest many Germans, in addition to Jews, Czechs and Slovaks. In the concentration camp at Oranienburg 12,000 new prisoners have lately been added, most of them Germans. This manifestation, which even the Nazi victories and jubiliations have not succeeded in obscuring, is probably the most significant of the internal life in Nazi Germany at the present moment.

In the meantime, opposition to the Gestapo in Bohemia and Moravia is continuing. Since the famous incident at Kladno last year, (where a number of Gestapo agents were killed) several more have been murdered at different places.

The case of the student Smudek is most typical and was reported in all the Nazi newspapers after it had become impossible to keep the matter dark any longer. It appears that in the city of Domasitz, a Gestapo man was found dying. He stated that his assailant was a local student named Smudek. Despite a reward of 2,000 Kroner, the student could not be found.

In May, two other Gestapo men were found murdered. In this case, a reward of 100,000 Kroner was offered to anyone who could give information about the murder. So far, however, no one has been apprehended.

Nazi Factory Speed-Up

Germany is making a tremendous effort to increase her war material and industrial output. At a recent meeting in the Engine Halls of Krupp's Munition Factories, Rudolf Hesse, the Deputy Fuehrer, announced the beginning of the Fourth Efficiency Campaign of German enterprises. The underlying idea of the campaign is to speed up munition production and to secure higher piece rates in the factories.

The model factory "Nimax" in Neumunster reports that production has increased by 71% compared with 1939, with the same number of workers. Wages have been raised only by 30%.

A new regulation which became effective on June 1, in the German building industry provides that the employer pays Labour Front-rates only to workers of "normal" efficiency. Those unable to achieve the "normal" standard will be paid less, and fixed rates of wages have ceased to be the minimum wage. The employer has the right to declare the achievement of his best worker as the normal standard and to pay the rest who do not come up to that standard accordingly.

The "Angriff," organ of the German Labour Front, announces that the Nazis are about to introduce the same system in all

branches of industry. The same paper writes that production has been increased from 15 to 50% without deterioration of quality, at the Gussloff Works, another Nazi model factory.

It is needless to add that the German workers are not as highly pleased with the new speed-up system as the Nazi leaders appear to be. A whispering campaign is going around the German factories now, exhorting the workers to resist and sabotage the new system, which will speed them to death.

Semi-Starvation In Occupied Countries

One result of the Nazi system of removing all food-stuffs from occupied territories and transporting them to Germany is already seen in occupied Holland and Belgium. The populations in both of these countries are already in a state of half-starvation. There is no bread, no butter, eggs, or meat, for even the cattle has been slaughtered and the meat sent to Germany. Daily, new soup kitchens are being opened to feed the population, for without this aid, the people would be literally starving. Soon the world may be faced with the spectacle of a famine in the Low Countries.

Hitler's Stock High

Following the recent victories of the German Army, the Hitler myth, which had hitherto been somewhat weakened, is again coming into fashion. Goering, speaking to a German Press gathering recently, pointed out that Hitler was not only an ingenious statesman but the greatest general and strategist of all time. The successes on the Eastern and the Western Fronts were due entirely to him. He understood the psychology of his soldiers, because he himself was a plain soldier, and he knew what was expected of a soldier. General Staff meetings were no longer necessary, as the Fuehrer could make up his mind very quickly and give orders to the minutest detail. The Nazi Press is even more obsequious in its praise of the Fuehrer. Probably at no other time was Hitler so eulogised, almost deified.

Books By Czechs Destroyed

The height of brutal Nazi absurdity has now been reached in the so-called "Protectorate" of the former Czech Republic with a new order just issued by the "Protector," Herr Von Neurath.

The order calls for the removal from all public and private libraries in Czechoslovakia of all books by famous Czech writers, among them the brothers Joseph and Karel Capek and a number of other modern Czech writers; also books by the founder of the Czech Republic, Professor Masaryk, and by the former President of Czechoslovakia, M. Benes.

In addition to the removal of the above-mentioned works, the "Protector" has also ordered to be destroyed the books of Czech Jewish writers: Kafka, Max Brod, and others, both modern and classic authors. It is interesting that the works of Lenin, Stalin and Gorki have not been ordered to be removed, but Karl Marx and Ferdinand Lassalle have to share the fate of other Jewish authors.

FUEHRER OF SOUTH AMERICA ARRESTED

According to the Buenos Aires correspondent of the "New York Times" yesterday, Arnulfo Fuhrmann, so-called Fuehrer of South America, was arrested on Sunday night at Concordia, a border point on the Uruguay River.

The arrest was made at the request of the Buenos Aires police, the correspondent adds. It is expected the Argentine Government will order the deportation of Fuhrmann as it has ordered the deportation of Karl Arnold, who is accused of being a prominent Nazi secret police agent.

During the recent investigation of Nazi activities by the committee of the Uruguayan Congress, a document outlining plans for the military seizure of Uruguay as a German colony was found in Fuhrmann's possession.

Fuhrmann admitted the plan was in his hand-writing but contended it was only a joke.

"Weak Mentality"

The "New York Times" correspondent adds that although the German Minister in Uruguay issued a statement disowning Fuhrmann as an Argentine citizen of weak mentality who should not be taken seriously, correspondence seized by the Uruguayan police showed he was one of the most powerful Nazi leaders in Uruguay and in constant communication with Nazi leaders in Germany. — Reuter.

GERMAN AIRMEN LIKE SHEEP

UNDER DATE OF JUNE 11 A FORMER CATHEDRAL SCHOOL BOY WRITES FROM "SOMEWHERE IN SCOTLAND" WHERE HE IS AN AIR GUNNER IN THE R.A.F.

"I have just been promoted to sergeant. Comfortable billets and good food. I've been doing a fair amount of flying but have not been in action as yet, and when I do don't worry about me. It's for a good cause and in times we have to face realities. My heart is in this job. We are superior to them in planes and personnel and our boys have individuality about them and can think and act for themselves, and still work together whereas the Jerries are like sheep and once their leader is gone they just turn tail and run. Don't worry about me—it is much worse for you than it is for me—so keep smiling and chins up."

"Just a bit about the Shanghai boys in the R.A.F. Chester Master poor fellow, is reported 'missing' while Vernon Stanion has put in some great work and has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

As for myself I am keeping very fit and have never felt better, so don't worry."

WAR GUILT TRIAL

The "French Supreme Court" at Riom, which is to "decide the war guilt" will resume sessions today.

The Public Prosecutor will present a formal complaint and demand the opening of secret investigations and hearings.

It is not yet known whether the names of the defendants will be revealed.

A Vichy announcement says that Marshal Petain will broadcast today. — Reuter.



WHY WE FIGHT

M. Duhamel has observed in a little book, "Why France Fights," that, whereas in Britain and France attention had been drawn more and more to the problem of the machine and its danger to moral civilisation, in the totalitarian States men had given all their energy to the task of developing the machine as the instrument of arbitrary and unscrupulous power. It is strange that the Governments of the democratic peoples were so slow to see this new danger.

The historian has remarked that the triumph of ideals in the world has depended largely on the weapons of war, that it was the Macedonian spear that brought Greek culture to Asia and the Spanish sword that enabled Rome to give her tradition to the modern world. This is a half-truth, a half-truth of capital importance at this moment.

If the Great War were to end to-day we should have to conclude that the Nazi tyranny had been able to establish itself by the discovery of the new uses to which iron and steel could be put for the destruction of life. The machine has overrun France. But to conclude that it must enslave the world is to forget that men can meet its threat by what Bacon called "the sinews and steel of men's minds, wit, courage, audacity, resolution, temper, and industry."

To the British peoples there falls the heroic duty of organising and collecting these natural forces and matching them against the Nazi leviathan. It would be strange if the people whose genius gave the world the ambiguous blessings of the Industrial Revolution were unable to arm freedom as powerfully as the Nazis have armed tyranny.

We have lived as a people during the last ten years at half-power in Europe. To-day a summons has come such as no man living can remember to our spirit, our courage, our tenacity, our self-discipline and self-sacrifice. The French collapse may be a help to us, if it makes us realise that nothing less than our full strength can save us, and that if we can find that full strength and exert it freedom will survive here and in Europe.

Dear A—:

Here in England no one has time to be tired, and men I know who had retired into a life of simple, gentle, comfort in the country, but who have taken up some form of work, several out with the mine-sweepers, knowing little rest day or night, say they have never felt better in their lives. The whole country seems caught up into a great unity of selflessness. Of course, there are exceptions—the usual grumblers, opposers and pacifists (I have a great reverence for the truly spiritual ones), and there are tremendous difficulties to be overcome in mobilising a whole country materially, physically and spiritually, to gather itself together for a great final effort.

One feels here that we are living and sharing in the most stupendous revolution in all of history. That which is evil in men's lives, evil for the world, enslaving in every way, has come burning up to the surface like an erupting volcano, and that is well, for it must not only be stemmed or stayed but vanquished for good and all, for the good of all. It is like some great civil war for the liberation of mankind from the quagmire into which it is sinking—a kind of materialistic lethargy, full of fears and intense ambitions, and little vain-glorious narrow nationalisms.

Behind the voices of our wisest and greatest men we hear the music of a great determination, to resolve it all into some majestic harmony, some great concord of nations, whose ideal will not be trade or martial supremacy or petty safety, or economic ascendancy and the controlling dream of ceaseless money-making.

PUBLIC OPINION

There are still to-day, in this day and age, persons who would like to subject the press to a stricter censorship, and would apply this not only to news but also to the expression of views.

Such an extension of the censorship could not be justified on the ground of anything that has happened under the present system. Nor could it be justified by consideration of the public interest, to which, indeed, it might be disastrous. Many of those who were observers in France think that the collapse was in part due to the gagging of the press, so that public opinion was not well informed, was not prepared for what happened, and was in no position to inspire and uphold the Government. In the British Isles, it was public opinion acting through a free press and through Parliament which, late and only just in time, gave us the present war Government. It is not Government or Parliament or press that can by itself save the country and bring victory. That will be done by the people, which, apart from its daily task, will assert its will through all three channels. Among these it uses a free press as a means of informing itself and of watching, criticising with discretion, and promoting by all possible means the most resolute conduct of the war.

There is still a Paris of gaiety and charm, daughter of that other Paris, more than three thousand miles across the sea, where wit and art still flourish and liberality and hospitality are no strangers. A Paris that Americans happily can visit to-day, and which has already over the years endeared itself to thousands, hides away deep in the heart of old New Orleans. French Town, it is familiarly called, better known to the world as the French Quarter, or *Quartier français*, lying on "the other side" of Canal Street. To-day a new city ordinance protects the Quarter from undesired modernisation.

She is bold, this other Paris. This *Petit Paris* of every Mississippi and Louisiana farm boy's dreams. At night bright music tinkles from her open-doored cafes. Again, she brings you back to yesterday in the old Caruso records they will play for you if they know you at Joe's, while you wind your spaghetti meditatively, leaning on the red-checked cloth. She can be sentimental, too this Paris of the New World, if you stroll to her across the moonlight of Jackson Square and watch the cloud shapes over the Cabildo; or fancy some figure of the past sedately regarding you over her black lace fan on the balcony of the building across, where once the Baroness Pontalba held court.

An Englishwoman's Letter

Out of it all, too, will come the greatest good for individuals that we have yet known, for it has revealed something magnificent, not only in a few, but in all: a kind of new ardour in every face, young and old, and a great quiet, a gentle and considerate serenity. It is greater than all the reports, the essays, the books, the explanations, the talks, the rumours, the divisions, the partisanship; for it bears the look of complete and assured certitude, which is the thing that gives fearless strength to every conscience.

One feels the unity of high hearts in flight, and all that poetic splendour which has produced in poetry itself the unbroken tradition of a people, whose natural speech almost is poetry and whose thinking and actions are so full of the quality of great laughter and happiness. We may have fogs and mists and all kinds of disturbances and criticisms and arguments, but at heart it still is "Merry England," and somehow, because I have been so "international" all my life, I see this little island with a long perspective. No country can be truly merry unless its heart is at peace, its purpose sure, and its spiritual convictions above any creed or ritual or restricted form.

I feel these gifts pouring out on me every day, and that is why I must sing for you this paean of gratitude to this little country where I found birth, and from where I set sail over forty-three years ago, to your country, which also is so bathed in the splendour of human ideals, love of liberty, and spiritual convictions, and horror of hate and bitterness and cruelty.

The days speed by, and we are of necessity ever more and more busy, doing the things that are most helpful in the way of making and sending comforts for the men on unceasing vigil on both sea and land, and taking care of those needing help who are with us.

I can look back and look forward, for it is as if I were on a very quick journey, looking out at so much beauty and heroism, far surmounting any pain and

horror and anguish we know must be dispelled, and that the world will dispel. "All is well" in spite of all the dark nightmare we have been forced to face and look squarely at.

Outwardly life goes on much the same as it did two months ago, yet we are living in a completely changed England, in a rapidly changing world. Incredible things happen each day and we are all accustomed to the new work for every hand; to the country places filled with the evacuated children and those demanding attention; to gas masks and air-raid warnings, shelters and sand-bags, anti-aircraft guns, the sound down here of far-off gun fire and cannonading and explosions; to the complete black-out that hides this little island as if it were almost an uninhabited world, so dense, so dark and so silent are the nights except for the great searchlights that sweep the sky in magnificent arching splendour at certain times. Down here, as we are right on the coast, they are especially watchful and powerful.

England has made a mighty effort and as always, when there is the need and call, one that beggars description. Without pressure and without tyranny, it has all taken place. A mobilised country, within a few short months an army, and an army of helpers here at home—men, women and young people, in every branch of helpful, protective work. I have friends who, a few short weeks ago, were pianoplayers or acting, writing or typing, or just being of happy leisure, now either in the A.R.P., doing telephone work, car driving, land work, cooking, nursing, or any of a thousand and one things to keep a country going with two millions overseas, an increased navy, coast and sea and land patrols, and all the supplies and help needed for what may be a long, long war!

Never in our history have we been led by so many good, humane, and peace-loving men. They all abhor war but that does not mean that they are not now quite aware that force of such a ruthless kind, with such a fana-

tical creed of world domination, can only be met by a mightier force. Yet we know, too, that even a mightier force would not bring the victory and the liberation for all that we crave if we had not undivided unity, binding all political parties into one determined and harmonious whole. In that is our strength, that and the spirit behind the whole nation, which would have to be seen and felt to be understood.

Of course, as yet no one knows what will happen; one lives each hour under a certain suspense, which is purely physical, for there is great calm and quiet in everyone. But we do know that numbers are not the final word in war any more than in any other process. One great artist is worth more than fifty supers, and I have heard a chorus of twenty sing more gloriously and fully than a poor one of fifty. Quality, not quantity—the free spirit in face of how many robots—is the answer. Of course, if Hitler and his Government decide to loose their enormous forces in the air, under the sea, and on the land, we are all fully awake to what will happen.

Not a day passes that we do not realise more and more what it is that we are combatting. And that is why all over this country, so mobilised and yet so unmilitary, we find an atmosphere of good will, of something both cheerful and gentle. You, who do not know England, and have never seen the tender, brooding loveliness of this small island, either enveloped in her soft autumn mists or the bloom of her unparalleled spring, can hardly imagine what I mean. When it steals into the consciousness of an American or a foreigner it leaves an indelible impression, such as do the poems of Keats or Shelley, or that long unbroken line of poets who carry the torch of the particular genius of this country. When one reads of the great wrongs still to be righted—of poverty, and innumerable distresses of unemployment and bad housing, either here or in America—the heart sinks. But these things are acknowledged and faced and discussed by a free people, in free speech, I am grateful to say.

But behind and above and around all these still existing evils lies an indomitable attitude that is by far the most important quality of British thinking in the crisis that confronts us.

Yours, E—.

Petit Paris de l'Amerique

There is still a Paris of gaiety and charm, daughter of that other Paris, more than three thousand miles across the sea, where wit and art still flourish and liberality and hospitality are no strangers. A Paris that Americans happily can visit to-day, and which has already over the years endeared itself to thousands, hides away deep in the heart of old New Orleans. French Town, it is familiarly called, better known to the world as the French Quarter, or *Quartier français*, lying on "the other side" of Canal Street. To-day a new city ordinance protects the Quarter from undesired modernisation.

She is bold, this other Paris. This *Petit Paris* of every Mississippi and Louisiana farm boy's dreams. At night bright music tinkles from her open-doored cafes. Again, she brings you back to yesterday in the old Caruso records they will play for you if they know you at Joe's, while you wind your spaghetti meditatively, leaning on the red-checked cloth. She can be sentimental, too this Paris of the New World, if you stroll to her across the moonlight of Jackson Square and watch the cloud shapes over the Cabildo; or fancy some figure of the past sedately regarding you over her black lace fan on the balcony of the building across, where once the Baroness Pontalba held court.

Above the banana trees and the high levee loom the hulks and masts of ships. Now and then a river boat tries out its voice and another answers; or the one goes moaning mournfully down the night, finding no echo as it explores the crescent. By day the river curves about

the city like a silver eel, and the business of the Port of New Orleans goes on oblivious of that other world also within the loose-ly spread-out confines of La Nouvelle-Orleans—a little world six-typical city blocks in area, as typically French as the Paris we all loved. Of a hot summer's day you may see the less enterprising shopkeepers tilting back in their shirt-sleeves against their buildings, feet hooked around the rungs of their straight chairs. Women call each other, "Cherie," shoo their children away with some fondly scolding French phrase.

There is another French Quarter, branching off from Royal Street and the antique shops. This part of our *Petit Paris* is shy and must be wooed. You first glimpse her through some flittering iron gateway, in the play of a fountain in a courtyard, where the palms and banana trees catch any small breeze that may be attracted there. For blocks and blocks there are courtyards catering to tourists who want "atmosphere" with their food—and get it.

But the patient searcher is rewarded. There are yet courtyards neither commercialised nor exclusively locked against intruders, and here the curious, not the curiosity seeker, will be led and may enter.

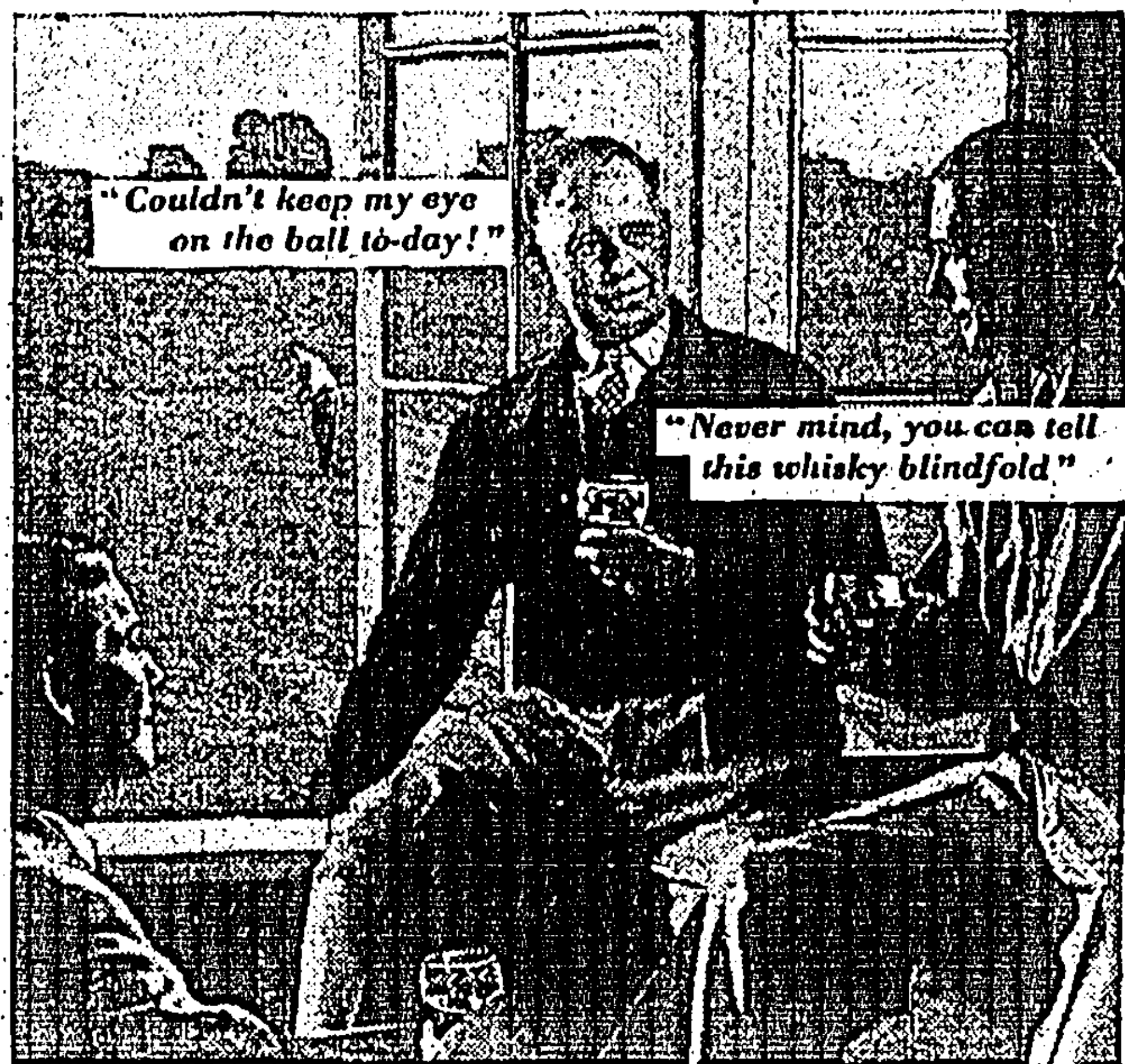
Cobblestoned, the old courtyards, and the grass between the stones. Here you will see the paradox of geraniums in a rusted tin while oleanders or poinsettias (depending on the season) bloom beneath. Here you will see washing strung like

bright pennants across the day, and women leaning out the shuttered windows gossiping with each other. Or there will be silence, the sun, and a cat or a dog. This would be at noon, when all sensible people take their siesta. Like as not the music of this *Petit Paris* will be expressing itself in fretful scales laboriously pounded up and down a tiny piano, or an off-key popular piece in alternately jerky-fast and inquiring-slow measures on the juvenile saxophone. The afternoons are hot and quiet between the busy morning and the awakening evening, but any time before the midday dinner, from early morning on, you can hear the phonograph singing away in its bright canned fashion. The advent of the radio doubtless is inevitable, but thus far the phonograph seems to still be the queen of this people's heart.

Little Paris, other Paris, you are the repository of the Gaelic warmth and repartee, the graceful adaptation of circumstances to your way of living—the sanctuary of the hard-pressed and the quick-paced, the slow student and the dilettante, who make up the kaleidoscope world we call art. It is yours to interpret to us what that other, that buried, Paris is trying to say to us to-day. "Conquered, I will rise again. How long?"

Meantime, the wisdom and the suavity, the carefree irresponsibility and the shrewdness, of the Gaelic temperament are preciously preserved in New Orleans. May its French Quarter always be preserved.

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Designed mainly for reconnaissance and training work, the Anson is of unusually roomy construction. A feature is the good visibility, secured through specially large front and side windows. A recognition point for aircraft "spotters," is that when the under-carriage is retracted into the engine nacelles half the wheels remain protruding below.

A crew of three is usually carried—pilot, navigator-bomb-aimer, and radio-operator/air gunner. They are so placed that a free passage is left down one side of the fuselage for inter-communication and movement from one part of the "ship" to another. Thus, when not bomb-aiming, the navigator is seated at a chart table midway between the pilot and the gun turret. But his bombing post in action is in the extreme nose of the aircraft where he lies prone watching his target through a sliding window in the nose.

Lightly Armed

Two Armstrong-Siddeley Cheeta IX engines with a total power output of about 550 h.p. give the Anson a top speed of just under 190 m.p.h. It cruises at about 160 m.p.h. and the maximum range is over 800 miles. The overall length is 42 feet and the wing span 56½ ft. The wing area is 410 sq. ft.—less than one-third that of its big brother of the Coastal Command, the Sunderland flying-boat.

Anson is comparatively lightly armed. There is one forward firing machine-gun for the pilot, and another, mounted in a rotating gun-turret aft of the wing, is handled by the radio-operator. A number of bombs can also be carried, and there is storage for the special gear required for air operations over the sea, such as collapsible dinghy, sea-markers and flame-floats.

Although not designed for fighting, Ansons have often been involved in scraps with the enemy and come out of them with glory. The most remarkable instance was a few days ago when three Ansons engaged nine Messerschmitt fighters flying low over the Channel. Two German fighters were destroyed and one severely damaged—whilst the Ansons' casualties were two members of their crews wounded.

Italian Aircraft Types

To the list of familiar enemy types—Heinkels, Messerschmitts, Junkers and Dorniers—shot down by the Royal Air Force, Italy's entry into the war will bring new names. Fiat, Macchi, Breda, Savoia-Marchetti, Caproni, Cant are some of these.

Altogether the Regia Aeronautica (Royal Italian Air Force) employs about thirty different types, including some half-a-dozen seaplanes and a flying-boat. But many of these are obsolescent. As the war progresses it is likely that the Italians, insofar as they use Italian and not German aircraft, will concentrate on one or two of the most advanced types in each category.

Foremost amongst their fighters can be reckoned the Fiat G.50 and the Macchi C.200. Both are modern, single-seat monoplane types, with a single radial engine. They each carry two heavy machine-guns, firing forward. Their wings span of about 35 feet is two feet less than that of Britain's smallest fighter, the 8-gun Spitfire; whilst their speed—305

m.p.h. for the Fiat and 313 m.p.h. for the Macchi—is definitely low as modern fighters go. Against this they are reported to be very manoeuvrable and sturdily built. Another fighter, a bi-plane, reminiscent of Britain's obsolescent Gloster Gladiator, is the Fiat CR.42.

Three-Engine Bombers

Italy's best known bombers are of the 3-engine type. The Savoia-Marchetti 79 and 81 are examples, the SM.79, powered with engines of the Bristol Pegasus type, being the more successful. This aircraft, with a wing span of about 66 feet and a top speed of 270 m.p.h., is roughly comparable in size and speed with the British 2-motor Hampden. Newer are the 2-motor Savoia-Marchetti 85 and 86, and the Fiat B.R.20. B.R.20 has a speed of about 260 m.p.h., and besides carrying a useful load mounts four guns. Most of Italy's bombers are more lightly armed.

Out of roughly 2,100 first line aircraft the Regia Aeronautica musters some 340 seaplanes and flying-boats. Many of these are out-of-date; but this high proportion of sea-going craft might indicate that Italy intends to take advantage of her many island bases. The fastest seaplanes are the little Caproni Ca.312, and the big 3-motor Cant Z.506B. None of them compare favourably in armament or performance with the British Sunderland and Lerwick flying-boats.

27-YEAR ROMANCE

When a letter from Switzerland addressed to Miss Jennie Wilde of Oldham, Lancs, was opened the fragrance of a twenty-seven-year-old romance escaped from the pages.

Jennie Wilde, in 1913, went to Canada with her father and there met Charles Hirt. Although he could speak seven languages Hirt did not know a word of English. But the language of love is universal. Jennie and Charles fell in love. Then Jennie returned to England.

For many years there has been silence in between. Then the letter arrived for Miss Jennie Wilde, heavy with censors' seals. It came from Charles Hirt, in the Alpine town of Niederueningen. It was opened by a crippled woman of fifty-eight, in a frugally furnished bed-sitting-room.

"He will be sixty now, and he may not still be a bachelor," Miss Wilde told a reporter. "but I should love to see him again and I am writing to him straight away."

ADOLPHE MENJOU THE BEST DRESSED

In a nation-wide poll held to discover America's ten best-dressed men—they were selected for their ability to wear clothes in keeping with their budget standards—Adolphe Menjou was voted America's best-dressed actor, and Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S.A. Secretary of State, as America's smartest politician. Lawrence Tibbett was voted the best-dressed opera star.

ABYSSINIA FIGHTS ON

Ras Abeba Arragai is Commander-in-Chief of the Ethiopian forces of national liberation. When Italy began her invasion of Abyssinia he was Colonel and Chief of the Police in Addis Ababa and had done much to train a disciplined modern force.

The office was no sinecure; new ways were replacing old, policemen on point duty now directed traffic, modern surface drainage and daily garbage collection had been introduced. A special police service was told off to remove the wandering dogs which formerly infested the streets.

As well as the duties of maintaining order and obedience to law there was a special guard at night to prevent the incursions of hyenas and other denizens of the wild from entering the city.

In the tragic days of April and May, 1936, the Emperor's Northern Army retired on the capital, and the menace of the Italian advent hung in the air. Rioting broke out among the least responsible elements of the desperate soldiery and people. Abeba Arragai did all a resolute man could to maintain the order and dignity of the city. In so far as he failed, he failed nobly.

Areas Of Resistance

When the Emperor left the country Abeba Arragai remained with a trusty bodyguard to carry on the struggle for national independence. He won his way to recognition among the varied forces of national resistance in the federated Empire, and was elected by his fellow-warriors, Ras (Marshal) and Commander-in-Chief. He has co-ordinated the diverse forces of the country. His intelligence system is first rate.

To-day his soldiers are in good heart. The whole of the North West, with the exception of four or five towns, is under Abyssinian rule. Officers and men wear Ethiopian uniform of the 1935 pattern. Ethiopian passes are necessary to travellers. There are areas of resistance also in the east and centre of the country, and even within a hundred miles of the capital, and around the great North Road from Dessie to Makalle.

Tangible evidence that the country is unconquered, and that the war continues, is provided by leaflets, printed on one side in Amharic and on the other in Italian, which are showered from Italian aeroplanes. These leaflets appeal to the chiefs and people to submit.

ALIENS STUDY OUR MAPS

MYSTERIOUS STRANGERS HAVE BEEN USING REFERENCE DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES TO OBTAIN TRACINGS OF MAPS OF PARTS OF THE BRITISH COAST WHERE ENEMY FORCES MIGHT ATTEMPT LANDINGS.

An alderman of a London borough in which a large number of aliens resided before the war, stated that in his district for about three years past foreigners had been making so much use of the public libraries that extra supplies of German and French books had had to be bought.

Within the past few weeks foreigners who had not been interned had gone to the reference library and asked for maps of East Yorkshire.

Other popular coast lines in demand by callers were those of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, and districts of Scotland.

RAIDERS' "HELL'S CORNER"

The Germans have a name for a fifty mile stretch of the South-East Coast — it is "Hell's Corner."

The guns that have barked at them on their almost nightly raids on this Channel-side section have claimed a dozen or more of their planes.

An officer on a British warship which received a party of captured German airmen told what the enemy say about it:

"It is a terrifying job to fly over that section," one German said. "The searchlights don't leave you alone for a minute and the anti-aircraft guns put up an almost impenetrable curtain of death."

"I have been one of the lucky ones."

POLITICIANS TO LEAVE THE RED ARMY

THE OFFICE OF POLITICAL COMMISSAR IN THE RED ARMY AND NAVY HAS BEEN ABOLISHED BY A DECREE OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE SUPREME SOVIET WHICH IS AIMED AT "STRENGTHENING THE AUTHORITY OF COMMANDING OFFICERS," ACCORDING TO MOSCOW RADIO YESTERDAY.

The decree states the measure was taken because "political commissars have fulfilled their essential tasks while commanding cadres have been considerably strengthened in recent years."

The decree provides for the appointment of deputy commanding officers who will be attached to Red Army units and warships and will be in charge of political work in the armed forces.—Reuter.

SWEDISH HARVEST FAILURE

Sweden's harvest is very poor, declared Moscow radio yesterday, adding "This is especially the case on the island of Gotland, an important harvesting centre where crops are the worst for 70 years owing to drought." — Reuter.

MR. HORE-BELISHA WANTS AN ARMY OF MILLIONS

CREATION OF AN army several millions strong was suggested by Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, former War Minister, in a speech at Devonport last evening.

Mr. Hore-Belisha said we should plan to strike at the enemy in the territories he has occupied. It was possible that only thus should we bring the war to a successful end.

The project should contemplate the creation of at least 100 divisions equipped in a fashion improving upon all recent experience and provided with their own air arm.

The present incompleteness of our industrial mobilisation should not be tolerated for a moment longer; we could not beat Germany with 800,000 unemployed.

Our economic task was to recruit and embody fully all available productive capacity.

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TSUNGMING ISLAND OUTRAGE REVEALED BY GENERALISSIMO

"NO DISTORTED PEACE or abject surrender can avert the Japanese slaughter of Chinese civilians and their sinister design of exterminating the Chinese nation. Only by resolute resistance and a fierce struggle can we shatter their ambition to conquer China," declares General Chiang Kai-shek in a lengthy manifesto issued on the third anniversary of the outbreak of the Shanghai hostilities to-day.

General Chiang says that under Japanese aggression the Chinese are living in the dark. Not for a single moment has he forgotten the suffering of his fellow-countrymen, especially those in Shanghai and other enemy "occupied" areas. So long as the enemy have not all been driven out of China and the Chinese are not fully emancipated he considers his duty unfulfilled.

The Generalissimo states that he frequently receives reports on the situation in Japanese "occupied" areas. During the past year the Japanese have intensified their efforts at enslaving and narcotising the Chinese.

Chinese in "occupied" areas are actually under three strata of enslavement. The Japanese armed forces form the first stratum, Japanese civilians the second stratum and the Korean and Formosan ronin the third stratum. In addition, there are the Chinese traitors and puppets.

Increasingly atrocious methods are employed to break down the staunch Chinese morale. In July, they burned down more than 7,000 villages in western Shanghai, Tsingpu, Sungkiang and the vicinities and slaughtered over 10,000 families.

Tsungming Outrage

Only a few days ago, Tsungming Island was the scene of rape, incendiarism and massacre. Whole families were shut up in their houses and burned to death and groups of civilians mowed down cold bloodedly with machine-guns.

"Even while we are gallantly offering resistance, our enemy are treating us like slaves. Should we stop resistance or submit to their coercion and cajolery, there is no telling how they will treat us," Generalissimo Chiang remarks.

However, the staunch Chinese spirit of resistance cannot be destroyed by blockade, bombing or any other method of force, if fellow-countrymen in the "occupied" areas add every bit of their effort to the nation's power of resistance and do everything in their power to hasten the collapse of the enemy. Negatively, they should avoid gambling and smoking opium, red pills, heroin and other narcotics, while positively they should co-operate with the Chinese troops to destroy the enemy's military and economic establishments, and attack the enemy garrison units. The "occupied" areas should be made a shackle for the enemy.—Central News.

Manifesto Banned In Shanghai

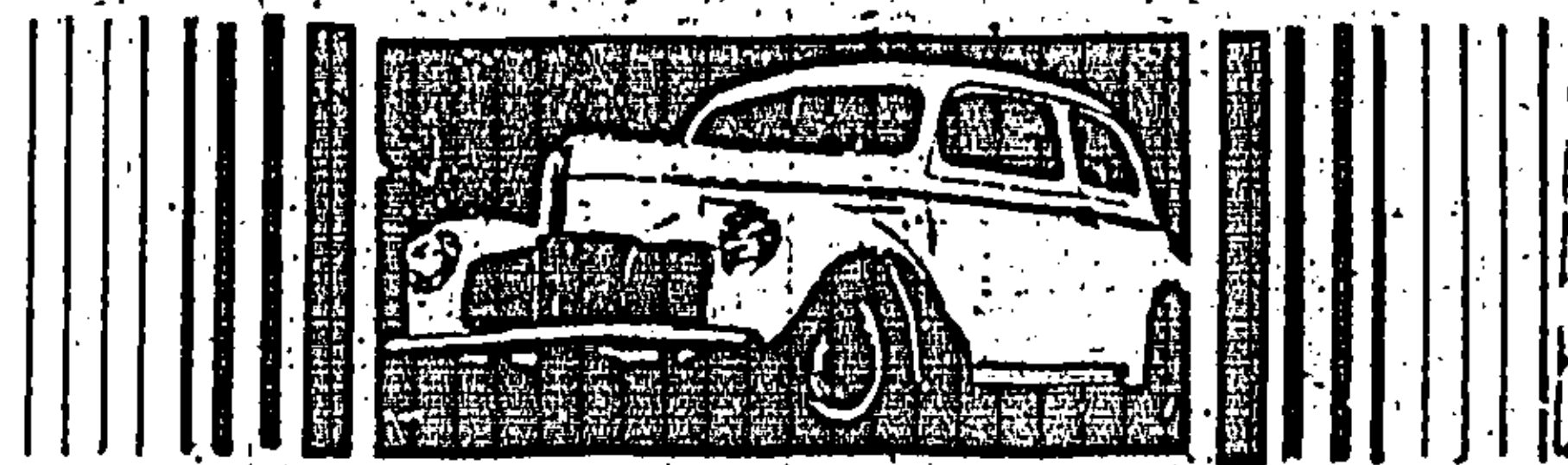
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the International Settlement authorities in Shanghai have prohibited the publication of General Chiang Kai-shek's address to the Chinese population in occupied areas on the occasion of the anniversary of the Shanghai war.

The American-owned vernacular newspaper "Chinese-American Daily News" appeared this morning with a large white space on the front page. — Havas.

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(By The Four Aces)

A DIFFICULT DEFENCE

"I was severely criticised the other night," writes a reader, "for failing to make the defensive play which would have stopped a game. Here's the hand:

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ A J 5
♥ A 9 8 4
♦ A 8
♣ Q 10 8 2

♠ K 7 4 2
♥ 5
♦ K 7 6 3
♣ K 7 5 3

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♠ Q 10 6
♥ 6 3
♦ Q 10 5 4
♣ A J 6 4

♠ 9 8 3
♥ K Q J 10 7 2
♦ J 9 4
♣ 9

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

"West, my partner, opened the three of clubs, dummy ducked, and I won with the Jack. At

this point every suit looked dangerous to me, so I returned a trump.

"Dummy won and returned the Queen of clubs. I ducked, and South discarded a spade. West won and returned a spade, but it was too late. Dummy took the spade Ace, drew my last trump, and pushed the ten of clubs through my Ace. No matter what I did, South was sure to get his other spades discard."

"I claimed South had played the hand very well, but my partner said I had defended like a fish. Who was right?"

We're going to hedge. South played the hand very well, but East should not be severely criticised for missing the correct defence since only an expert would see it. The expert would note that only one club and at most one diamond could be won by the defence, so he would go after two spade tricks. They could be obtained only if West had the spade King, and even then only if the six of spades were returned at the second trick. Then if South tried to set up the clubs, West



An apple a day may keep the doctor away but a little clove of garlic can give a girl real privacy.

could return a spade before South had discarded his losers.

* * *

Saturday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner, and with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ 7
♥ A K Q 8
♦ A K J 6
♣ Q 10 5 8

The bidding:

You	Schenken	Burnstone	Jacoby
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: Bid five hearts, or four no-trump as a Slam try. You have at least an Ace more than your bids have indicated, so should make a slam try.

Score 100% for five hearts or four no-trump, 50% for six hearts or five clubs, 10% for pass.

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QUESTION NO. 487

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, hold:

♠ 6 2
♥ Q 9 8
♦ A Q 10 7 4
♣ K 6 2

The bidding:

Maier	Schenken	You	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

SHE HELPS IN FRENCH

Moving about the wards at a northern hospital, a twenty-year-old girl with a flair for French and its dialects helps to solve the problems of doctors in dealing with wounded French soldiers.

Vital time has been saved and many French soldiers will always be grateful to this smiling dark-haired girl, who, with fluent tongue, probed into the history of their wounds while doctors and nurses waited. When Miss Winifred Burrell learned that French soldiers had been brought to the hospital she went along as a visitor. Soldiers and officers smiled delightedly when she began to talk with them in their own language and use their own colloquial expressions. At more leisurely times Miss

UNINVITED GUEST STOLE WEDDING BREAKFAST HAM

John Keohane, twenty-one, of Fredrick-place, Clifton, Bristol, went to a wedding celebration uninvited. When he left the table, the ham went with him; but its disappearance was noted.

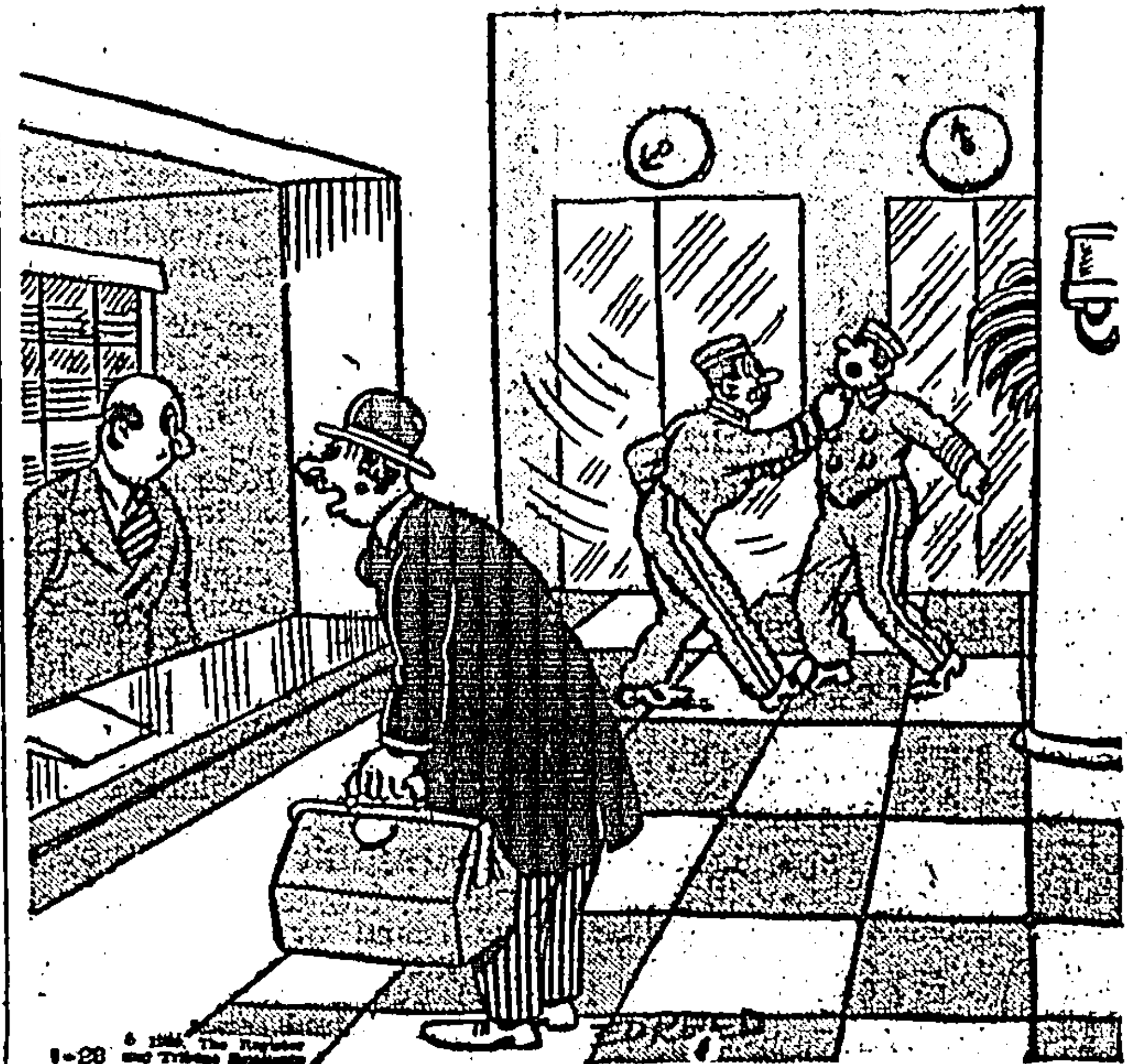
The bridegroom chased him down the street until he was stopped by a policeman. Later he said he knew Keohane slightly, but had not asked him to the party.

Bristol magistrates bound over Keohane for a year for stealing ham worth 2s. 6d. It was stated that when arrested he had £15 on him.

Burrell sits with pencil and pad and writes dictated letters to wives and sweethearts.

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



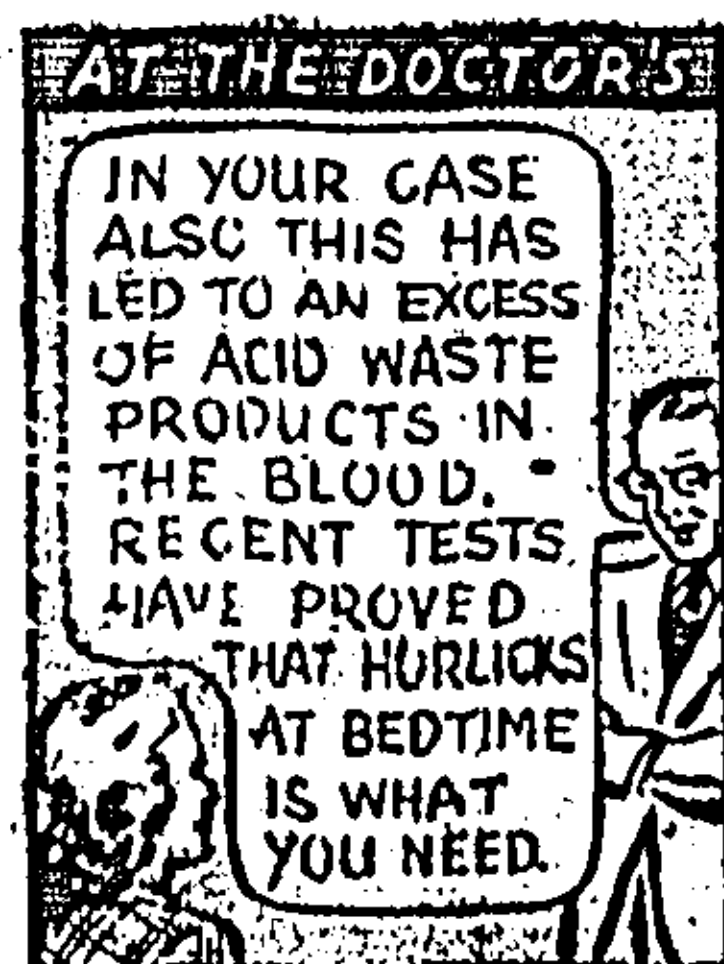
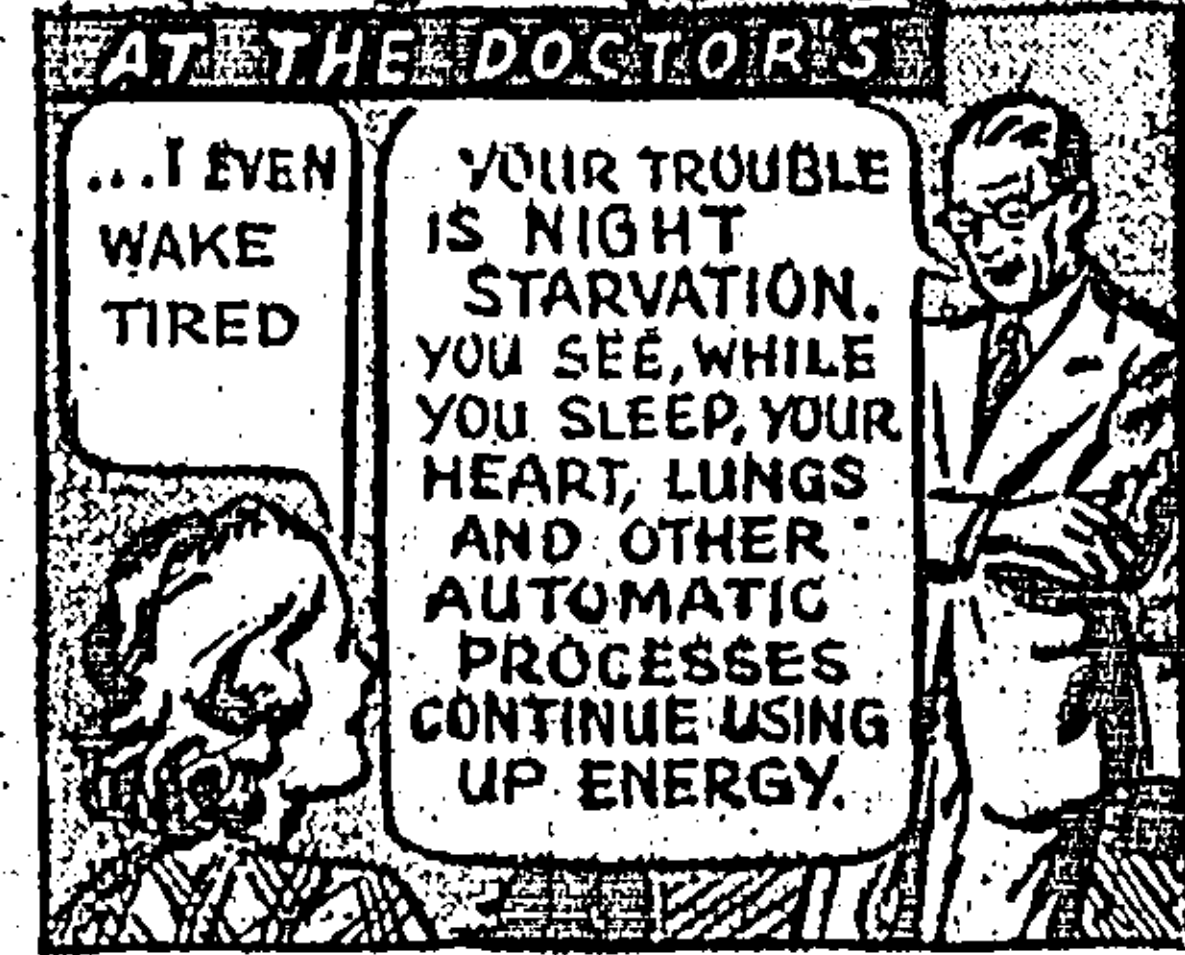
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DOCTORS AND SCIENTISTS USE HURLOCKS IN HOSPITAL TESTS

RECENTLY tests were made in a great hospital on men and women who complained of always feeling tired.

It was found that these people had an excess of acid waste products in their blood during sleep.

This acid waste kept the brain and nerves "on edge" all night even though the rest of the body was sound asleep.

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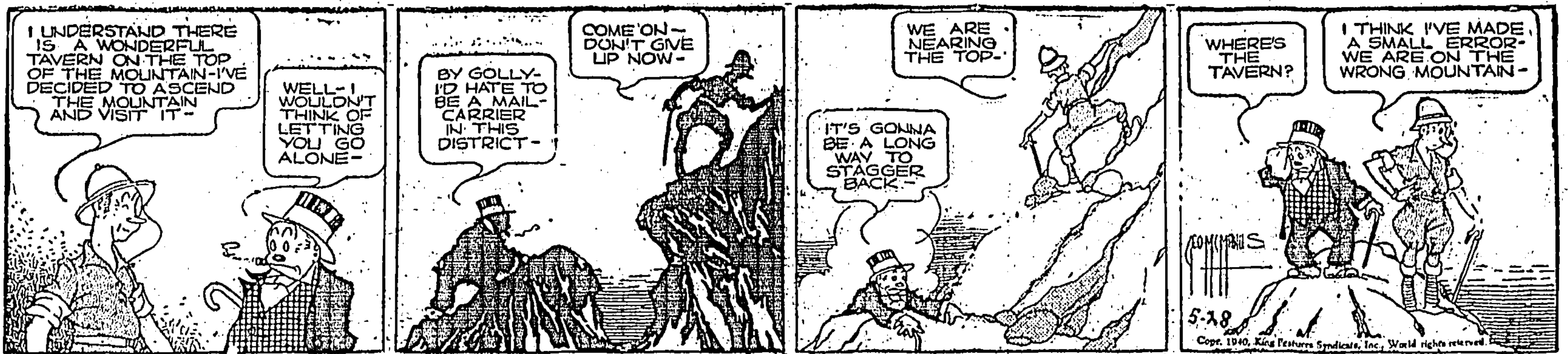
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Strong Incentive To Perfect Grooming

HAVEN'T you at one time or another, walked into a beautiful room and wished instantly that your grooming was more perfect and your gown more flattering? You had a very ardent desire to blend with the beauty which surrounded you instead of being the one discordant note!

Each of us has had similar experience. If it was not the beauty of a room which made us aware of our imperfection, it may have been the exquisite clothes on other women present, or the keen, candid glances of an attractive male!

It is strange how environment and circumstances can make us quickly aware of our imperfections and make us regret the hours we did not spend in making ourselves more beautiful!

It is true that a drab home or office, discouragement, fatigue, little social competition, and the lack of an admiring friend, offers almost no incentive to be very meticulous about our beauty. What's the use?—is the question we ask ourselves with a shrug of the shoulders. Then suddenly we find ourselves in a situation. A time and place that makes us so ashamed of our indifference that we want to crawl in a hole and stay there!

Of course the wise woman sees to it that those occasions happen very infrequently. For she knows that each time she is caught on the spot her appeal drops a peg or two, and her own morale is nicely nicked. First impressions, in fact all the impressions we make on others, are pretty important. Our stock goes up or down by the impression we make every blessed time we are in another's company. And each time we feel shame because of our appearance or actions, we damage the old self-confidence, which is not a good thing to do!

One Way To Avoid It

It is my firm opinion that one way to avoid getting into a grooming rut is to have a very attractive bedroom. Make it just as



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lovely as you possibly can—make it a haven which you will adore when you must retreat from the trials of the world! This room should inspire you to beauty.

When you enter it discouraged and untidy, it should envelop you with its charm and make you take time out for personal repairs! You should emerge from your bath, your facial, your hair brushing quite revived, ready for the next task facing you, or for hours of unruffled slumber!

The cost of creating charm in your bedroom need not be great. Decide on a colour which pleases you immensely and have the walls papered or painted. Then dress up the room to dramatise that colour. Make your own dressing table cover, bedspread, chair coverings, if you cannot afford to have them made. Buy inexpensive pictures, vases, bottles and other nick-nacks which delight you.

Arrange your cosmetics so they will be accessible to impatient reachings and include among them two or three special fillips—like a lush perfume, an extravagant bath aid or heaps of sachets. Inspirations and friends they will be when you need that extra "shove" to keep you from growing into an indifferent beauty!

And let me assure you that keeping yourself nicely groomed at all times (even at the cost of time and effort) pays you untold dividends. Putting such high appraisal on yourself will make others like you more and you will never again find yourself the discordant note in an atmosphere of beauty!

"She goes to church, but wonders why religion seems unreal to her. She is becoming interested in trade unions, and notes the difference between prices paid to the farmer and the prices she pays for food.

"And on the war issue she reads the European news closely, and is vitally concerned about what the United States will do about the war, and what sort of an America there is going to be when it is over."

American Girls Prefer Marriage

The secret ambition of the average American girl a year or two ago was fame. She wanted to be an opera singer, a film star—or another Amelia Earhart.

To-day all that is changed. Her ambition now is marriage, a better job, a chance to travel, or an opportunity for study.

This is revealed in a composite picture presented here by Miss Mary Alice Glavin, of the Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, at the national conference of the American Y.W.C.A. Miss Glavin conducted a survey among 60,000 members. This is the "average girl" as presented to the delegates—

"She is 25. She left school at 18. She lives at home. And she

works in a shop or office where there are from 30 to 50 other workers.

"Seeks Philosophy"

"Most of all she wants to know how to get along, how to be a good mixer, impress people, acquire charm of manner—and keep slim. She is very much concerned about men and marriage. She much deplores the lack of marriageable men, or marrying men.

"She wants to know how to make men friends and keep them, and she wants especially to know why so many American marriages fail, so that her own will not.

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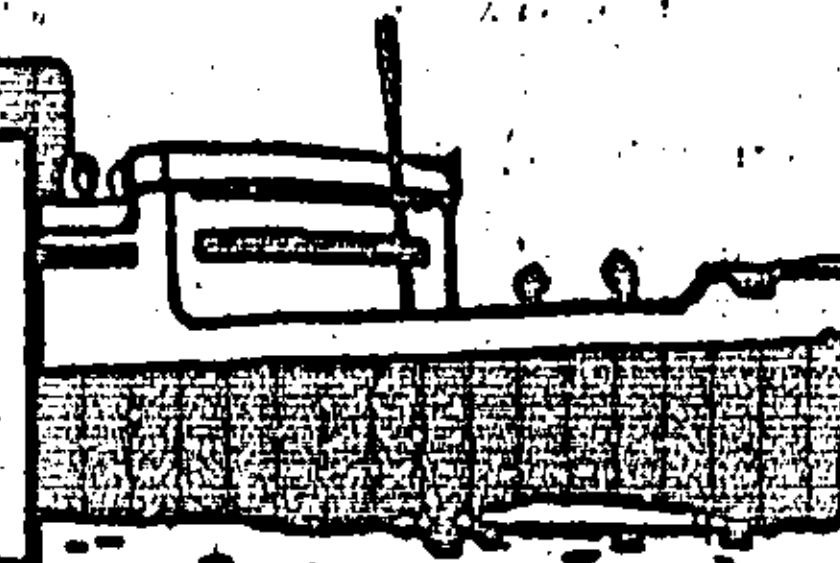
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TO-DAY'S WIRELESS

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Mozart—Symphony in G Minor. N.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Reginald Dixon at the Organ.
1.13 p.m.—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Variety with Moreton and Kaye, Frances Day and "Hutch".
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Gounod's "Faust" Act I.
6.22 p.m.—A Chopin Recital by Alfred Cortot at the Piano.
6.44 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.46 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—Symphony No. 6 in B Minor, Op. 74 (The "Pathétique" Symphony). Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—An hour of Variety with Cicely Courtneidge, Jack Hulbert, Andy Iona and His Islanders, The Hill Billies, Ivy St. Heller, Dudley Beaven, John Henry, and Morgan and Handley.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.
9.45 p.m.—A Scottish Programme, with Pipers of the 2nd Batt. The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, Joseph Hislop (Tenor), Boyd Steven (Soprano), Florence MacBride (Violin), and Sir Harry Lauder.
10.15 p.m.—Dance Music, by Dan Donovan, Bram Martin, Bert Firman's Quintuplets, of Swing, Juan Llossas, Nat Gonella, Joe Daniels, Harry Roy, and Jack Hylton.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

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SPINSTER FINDS GERMAN ON HER DOORSTEP

THE DOOR BELL of a cottage in East Anglia rang twice and Miss Gibb, who is seventy, went to the door and shouted "Who's there?"

"There was no reply," she said, "so I went into the front room and peeped through the curtains—and there was a German standing in the path."

"He stared at me," and I stared at him. His arm was bleeding and he had no boots on."

Miss Gibb called her nephew, Robert, and he let the airman into the house.

Their visitor was the only survivor from a Heinkel which crashed in East Anglia. He had escaped by parachute, and after laying his revolver on top of the parachute had walked half a mile to the cottage.

"He could speak very little English," said Mr. Gibb, "but he made signs that he had dropped from the machine soon after one o'clock. He told us this by pointing to a clock he carried. He made signs indicating that his three companions had been shot as the bomber crashed."

"We could not find his boots. He probably took them off because he thought he might come down in the water."

The airman, seriously wounded, was taken to hospital the same afternoon.

"Abide With Me"

Thirty-seven girls and their teachers taking shelter in a cellar of a twenty-roomed Dr. Barnardo's Home were singing "Abide With Me" when the bomber crashed outside in the garden.

Led by the matron they went on singing while wreckage burned outside the windows, scorching the paint-work of the house. The girls, all over fifteen, stayed in the cellar for five hours.

After crashing into the garden the Heinkel bounced across the road and landed in an orchard.

The gunner's cockpit stuck 20 feet up in the branches of a tree, and among the wreckage were oxygen cylinders, a partly burned-out parachute, and a collapsible rubber boat. The bomber's tail was riddled with holes, some so large that it is likely they were caused by A.A. fire.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN N. CHINA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Aiming at the development and improvement of the political administrative situation in North China, Wang Yi-tang, chairman of the North China Political Council, has called a meeting from August 14 to 17.

Wang Yin-tai, director of general industries, has drafted a number of important proposals on the development of industries in North China and strengthening Sino-Japanese economic co-operation. The proposals will be submitted at the meeting of governors and mayors. — Havas.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2 7/8. The cross rate London/New York was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.0250 and the New York/London rate at £—U.S.\$3.98.

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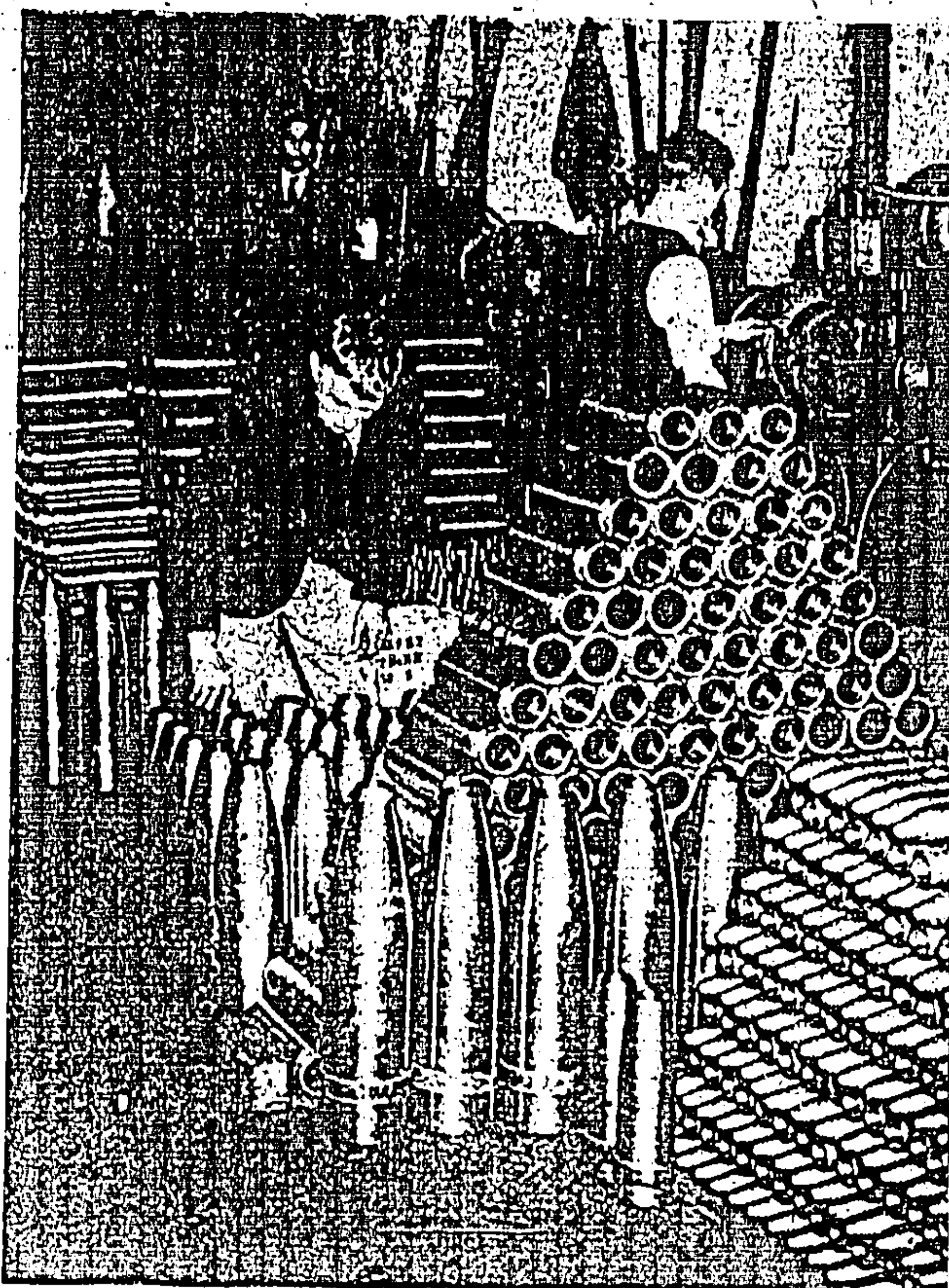
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1917 V.C. BARRED FROM L.D.V.

Though he is one of only three Jewish holders of the Victoria Cross, awarded for his heroism in Mesopotamia when he was twenty-one, a Manchester man has had to leave the L.D.V. because his father, a Russian, was never naturalised.

In 1914, as a youth of eighteen, he threw up a good job in Oslo, Norway, two days after war broke out. He sailed to England and joined up.

After many brave deeds he reached the peak of courage when, in 1917, he defied death at the hands of the Turks in Mesopotamia to save a boat-load of ammunition.

Corporal Jack White, V.C., is now forty-five and a prosperous wholesale merchant. He lives in a villa in Bentley Road, Broughton Park, Manchester, with his wife and three children.

Before the war against Hitler, Jack White's blood stirred. "What can I do for Britain?" he asked himself. He volunteered for the R.A.F. balloon barrage section.

But he was turned down. Because sixty years ago his Russian father came to England as a boy and never became naturalised.

"Not Eligible"

About a month ago Jack White made another attempt to do his bit for Britain. He joined the Local Defence Volunteers and was given a great welcome.

And then, because his father was a Russian this hero of Britain was turned out of the L.D.V.

When the official arm bands and equipment were distributed among the men Mr. White was told that he could not have them, that he would not be permitted to go out on patrol because it had been established that he was not eligible.

This gallant little man told a reporter that, although he understood regulations must be obeyed, he thought the authorities surely would be prepared to make reasonable exceptions.

Hundreds More Barred

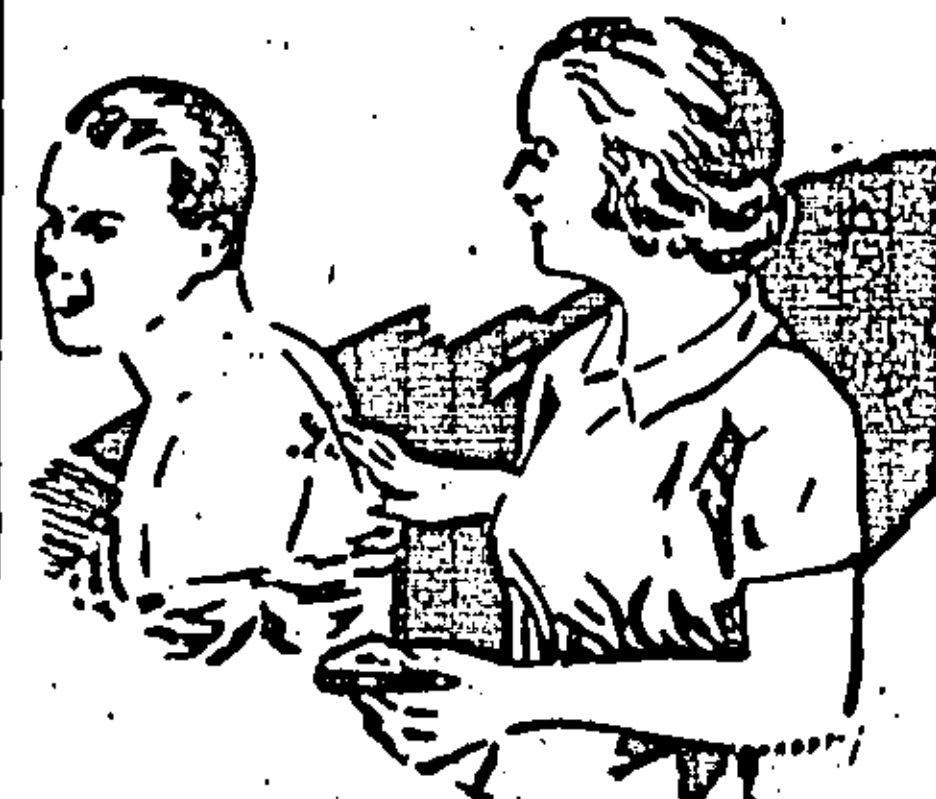
"I was almost broken-hearted when they refused me last year," he said. "Now this second bitter blow has come—I don't know what to say. There were no difficulties when I joined up in 1914, and no one is prouder than I am to be a Briton."

"I don't think that I am annoyed, I am simply grieved and hurt, and I hope some way will be found to give me the chance to serve again."

Jack was born in Britain and his mother was an Edinburgh girl. His elder daughter is married to a soldier who has come back from Norway.

Jack White is not alone in his extraordinary situation. He said

that of 25,000 Jewish ex-Servicemen in Britain there must be hundreds of old soldiers who will be banned from service because of the regulations.



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The gala at the European "Y" pool was the more thrilling, Eastern and Chung Shing tying with 18 points each, whilst the European "Y" only obtained eleven. Ng Nin, was the most brilliant performer of the evening, and was responsible for giving Chung Shing a substantial number of points.

Chung Shing would have won the tournament by a one-point margin were it not that Kung Sau-sek was disqualified for fouling the first and third turns of the breast-stroke event, and lost that all-important point, which he would have been assured of having, even if he was placed last.

Of the seven competition events, Chung Shing accounted for four, whilst the Eastern took two.

The evening began with the exciting 50 yards dash. As a result of a false start, Tsu Hang of Eastern injured his finger when he fell against the side of the bath in attempting to check himself, and this proved very costly, as he subsequently missed the turn when he was leading, and allowed Ng Chun-man to beat him in a thrilling finish to give Chung Shing the points for first place. Dodd for the "Y" gave a good account of himself, but was no match against his Chinese opponents.

Starting the 220 yards free style event the swimmers swam neck to neck for four lengths, after which Ng Nin, forged ahead and increased the lead steadily to win in 2 Min 39 secs.—a good time for this distance in a fresh water pool.

The pace set up by G. T. May was too fast for Shek Kam-pui of Eastern who dropped behind after six lengths and was never again within striking distance.

Butterfly Stroke Allowed

R. A. Dodd created a mild surprise when he used the "butterfly" stroke for the breast-stroke event. Although he started well he could not keep it up and abandoned the stroke at the end of the first two lengths to forfeit the lead to Kung Sau-sek of Chung Shing, who in his anxiety made two foul turnings and was disqualified.

In the last five yards, Tsui Kam-mun of Eastern, who had up till then been left unnoticed, broke into a brilliant spurt, and picking up lost ground, snatched first place from Kung and Dodd.

The original agreement barred the "butterfly" stroke with the result that this last minute alteration has caused some dissatisfaction amongst Eastern swimmers. The inclusion of the stroke greatly handicapped them, which was borne out in the medley relay when Ng Nin of Chung Shing swam "a la butterfly" to win the event.

B. S. Wilson, surprised himself in the 100 yards back-stroke when he won the event quite easily from Yeung Man-kit (Eastern) and Ng Chun-màn (Chung Shing), to give the European "Y" the only first place of the evening.

In the 440 yards free-style, Chu Wai-lam of Eastern started at a break neck speed, but it was obvious from the start that he could not maintain it. Ng Nin, of Chung Shing, and L. A. Benn for "Y" showed good judgment and were content to trail behind at an even pace, and after six lengths Ng took the lead and held it right to the finish. With only two more lengths to go, Benn started to pick up on Chu Wai-lam who swam the 14 and 15 lengths with a breast-stroke, apparently for a breather. It was mainly through this respite that he managed to finish one-fifth of a second ahead of Benn.

The 150 yards medley relay proved that the Chinese were in a class by themselves in this event, as "Y" was at no stage a serious contender. Shek Kam-pui for Eastern hit the turn first in the back-stroke and took the lead from So Tim-mo, to give Kwok Chun-hang, one time Colony record holder, the advantage.

Kwok Chun-Hang Disappoints

In the face of Ng Nin's butterfly stroke, Kwok found that he could not retain the lead and was forced to drop behind by a full yard at the end of the lap. Notwithstanding this deficiency Kew almost caught up on Fung Kwai-sheung at the turn, and fought him

stroke for stroke on the last lap, finishing in what seemed a dead-heat.

The judges ruled that Fung, of Chung Shing, finished first by a touch.

With his butterfly stroke Ng Nin actually negotiated the distance in less than 31 seconds.

Eastern again proved their supremacy in the 200 yards free-style relay, by winning the event easily, to obtain five points to tie with Chung Shing in the tournament.

Jumping to a lead, Kew held it all the way, and Tsu Hang still further increased it at Chung Shui-che's expense. Lee Fook-ke put the outcome beyond doubt when he gave Lau Yat-shing, last man, a lead of half a bath's length. Although Ng Nin made a very fine effort to catch up, the lead was too great.

	C. S.	E.	"Y"
50 yards free-style	3	2	1
220 yards free-style	3	1	2
440 yards free-style	3	2	1
100 yards back-stroke	1	2	3
100 yards breast-stroke	0	3	2
200 yards free-style relay	3	5	1
150 yards medley relay	5	3	1
	18	18	11

Third Places Cost Lai Tsun Costly Points

The V.R.C.-Lai Tsun contest ended in a comfortable win for V.R.C. by 25 points to 11. Missing the third places and the team race points, proved the downfall of Lai Tsun as they depended mostly on these points, the first places being undisputed. The last-minute inclusion of Taylor in the line-up enabled V.R.C. to obtain these valuable third place points, without which the margin of victory would have been narrower. Taylor was easily the most outstanding swimmer, his amazing turning being the prominent feature of his form. The only race in which Lai Tsun managed to hold their own was the 100 yards breast-stroke, when Fong Chung U finished the course easily five yards ahead of his nearest rival.

With Taylor and Hutchinson in the line-up for the 50 yard dash, the result was a foregone conclusion, although Tsang Cheung-ming of Lai Tsun might have given both of them a good fight, if he had not fouled the lane-guides after his turn.

Roza-Pereira's Sportsmanship

A murmur of disappointment arose from the spectators when it was announced that Lawrence would not be able to swim the 220 as he had not made an appearance.

In this race Chan Chun-nam, last year's runner up in the Colony Championships, had been rated as a serious contender for the title, and with Lawrence's absence the race was robbed of interest. Lionel Roza-Pereira, who sportingly agreed to swim in Lawrence's stead, did better than expected of him and came second. Yau Sai-kwan, who doggedly trailed Roza-Pereira for almost all the distance, could not keep up the pace and finished third.

The Ladies' 50 yards was won by Miss V. Churn, but she was extended by Miss Ko Miu-lin of Lai Tsun who very nearly created an up-set. From the start the race was between Miss Churn and Miss Ko, but unfortunately Miss Ko fouled the lane guides and lost valuable yards. In spite of this she finished in 32-2/5 seconds as compared with Miss Churn's time of 32 seconds.

Lai Tsun, who were hitherto undefeated in the Medley Relay, had victory snatched from their grasp mainly through Taylor's fine swim.

Swimming first, Lau Yiu-ting completed the back-stroke slightly ahead of Rumjahn; this lead being further increased by Fong Chung U over D. Hutchinson. Starting after Tsang Cheung-ming, Taylor was content to keep to one stroke behind Tsang, up to the turn, after which he went all out to win by fully one second ahead of Tsang.

A. K. Rumjahn demonstrated his superiority in the 100 yards back-stroke when he spurred on to a win after trailing behind for three lengths.

Lionel Roza-Pereira surprised when he beat both Poon Wing-kai and Lau Yiu-ting easily, both

SING TAO WIN AGAIN

The touring Sing Tao football team beat All Malaya in a return game at Penang yesterday by three goals to one. In the first game Sing Tao won by the odd goal in five.

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of whom are considered fairly fast.

Fong Chung U accounted for the breast-stroke quite easily, but Poon Wing-kai disappointingly finished last. In taking second place credit must go to E. M. Marques, who has been off training for the last two years, and in his come-back, surpassed all expectations. Joe Marques must also be congratulated for his fine swim.

With Hutchinson, A. J. Hussain, L. M. Remedios, and D. Taylor in the team, the 200 yards free-style relay was an easy win for V.R.C.

Chinese Ladies Win Relay Easily

As predicted the Chinese Ladies' Medley Relay exhibition race was a runaway. Miss Grant, who started the back-stroke, and Miss Doreen Weir who swam the breast-stroke were no match for the Misses Sa Wai-ying (Chinese Bathing Club) and Lee Po-luen (South China). Miss Ko of Lai Tsun finished the race in her own time.

Between events, Mr. Ed. da Roza gave an artistic exhibition in diving, ending up with a comic dive of his own arrangement.

Results of the tournament:

	V.R.C. Lai Tsun
50 yards free-style—Men	5
220 yards free-style—Men	2
50 yards free-style—Ladies	4
150 yards medley relay—Men	3
100 yards back-stroke—Men	5
100 yards breast-stroke—Men	3
200 yards free-style relay—Men	3
	25
	11

I have been given to understand that a return meet at the Chinese "Y" pool has been promised by V.R.C. some time next week. The events will almost be identical, and the Chinese supporters are confident that in a fresh water pool Lai Tsun will put up a much better show.

Triangular Contest To-morrow

The second of the series of Triangular Tournaments between Chinese Bathing Club-South China-Chinese "Y" will be swam off at the "Y" pool at North Point to-morrow evening at 7 p.m.

The 100 metres free-style should be accounted for easily by Lo Yuk-wing of "Y" as little opposition is expected from the other clubs in this event.

The 200 metres free-style relay will be fought out between "Y" and C.B.C. as South China is finding some difficulty in putting up a team since they are short of sprinters. The team for "Y" will be Lo Yuk-wing, Yeung Yuk-wa, Chan King-pong and Chan Wing-kai, and they are capable of an average of 30 seconds. The C.B.C. line-up has not yet been decided, but it almost certain that they will include Robert Chan, one of the leading Chinese sprinters. South China hope to recover any lost points in the men's events in the events for ladies.

The 400 metres free-style will be a duel between the Misses Sa Wai-ying (C.B.C.) and Lee Po-luen (South China). Although the latter will be swimming breast-stroke all the way, I give her a slight edge in view of her recent improvement in form and stamina, whilst on the other hand Miss Sa

SOUTH CHINA GALA PROGRAMME

South China Athletic Association will hold their third swimming gala in aid of Charity at their pavilion, at 7.30 p.m. to-day. The following is the programme:—

Open Events:—
Ladies' 100 metres Breast-stroke.
Men's 200 metres Breast-stroke.
Club Events:—
Men's 50 metres Free-style.
Middle Training Class 100 metres Breast-stroke.
Ladies' 50 metres Free-style.
Senior Training Class 100 metres Free-style.
Men's 100 metres Free-style.
Ladies' 100 metres Back-stroke.
Men's 100 metres Make-up Race.
Water Polo.

WARTIME SOCCER SAID BEST OF ALL

C. B. Fry remarks: "The unfamiliar football season just over has taught us a lesson which some of us learned years ago. No mean little lesson. It is this. You can have football of the finest without subjecting athletic young men to supposedly systematic training all the week, week in and week out, for weeks and weeks. I doubt whether taken as a series, there has ever been seen finer football than in these wartime cup ties."

They were distinguished by a great spirit and dash. A spirit and dash more often than not visibly absent from the formal and conventional performances of yesterday. Why? Will it happen that the so-called "classic" quality (whatever meaning, if any attaches to that term) is not the essence of football. The essence of football is dash—spirited and skilful dash. Without dash you do not have drama; and without drama football is flat-footed. In order to be primed with dash a man must be fit; he must also be fresh. A man trained to staleness is jaded in spirit. Even in track athletics for events which require dash nothing is worse than staleness.

Wai-ying has been concentrating mainly on her back-stroke.

In the 50 metres dash for the ladies, Miss Ho Wai-king should win easily from Miss Lee Cheuk-wa (South China) and Miss Chan Mei-chong ("Y"), the last two finishing in that order. South China will meet "Y" at water-polo at the conclusion of the gala.

To-day's Charity Gala

This evening at 7.30 p.m. the South China will hold their third gala of the season, the entire proceeds of which will go to Charity. Included in the programme of interesting events will be a 200 metres breast-stroke for men, and a 100 metres breast-stroke for ladies. Both events are open to the Colony. The programme will be concluded with a water-polo game between the South China and the Eastern teams.

South China team have rounded up a number of old-timers to complete the team, among whom is Poon Yan-leung, who was a member of the team when they were at their best some years ago, being the only Chinese team to have ever beaten the strong V.R.C. combination.

South China:—Ng Wai-choi, Lee Ke-yeung, Poon Yan Leong, Lionel Lowe, Harold Winglee, Henry Sa and Kwok Kai-chiu.

Eastern:—Woo Cho-kin, Tommy Kew, Shek Kam-pui, Lee Fook-ke, Shui Hung-yui, Tsui Hang and Yeung Man-kit.

Chung Shing Gala on Thursday

On Thursday, Chung Shing will also hold a gala for the purpose of charity, and their programme will be featured by the 150 metres open medley relay. In view of their win at European "Y" and the downfall of Lai Tsun at the hands of the V.R.C. last week this event will more or less determine the new title holder for this event, and I should very much like to see V.R.C. pit themselves against the Chung Shing trio. If V.R.C. do not enter a team, it will at any rate determine the supremacy amongst the Chinese clubs. The butterfly stroke is allowed in this event.

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"B" DIVISION TENNIS PAIRINGS

The following are "B" Division League tennis pairings:—

P.	L.	W.
Dew Chok-him and Ip Koon-hung (S.C.A.A.)	15	3 12
B. Szeto and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	12	1/2 11 1/2
M. A. Oliveira and W. A. Reed (C.D.R.)	18	0 1/2 11 1/2
W. T. Lee and W. C. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	12	1 11
F. H. Kwok and Lam Kwan (K.T.G.C.A.)	12	1 1/2 10 1/2
Col. J. S. Smith and Capt. C. H. R. Hyde (A.T.C.)	12	3 9
T. C. Luk and S. W. Wong (C.R.C.)	8	8 1/2 7 1/2
J. Leonard and W. H. Lee (C.C.C.)	6	0 6
G. Lai and H. N. Wong (C.C.C.)	9	3 6
J. J. Remedios and B. T. Gosano (C.D.R.)	9	3 6
K. C. Ng and P. F. Choy (C.R.C.)	6	1/2 5 1/2
Billy Yu and P. Fletcher (K.T.G.C.A.)	6	1/2 5 1/2
A. M. Rodrigues and C. A. Barretto (C.D.R.)	12	0 1/2 5 1/2
F. Grose and D. J. N. Anderson (K.C.C.)	6	1 5
L. A. Newham and H. Lin and T. E. Ling (K.T.G.C.A.)	6	1 5
Capt. Loch (A.T.C.)	9	4 5
P. F. Choy and C. C. Luk (C.R.C.)	4	0 4
O. Rumjahn and I. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	6	2 4
I. and B. Agafuroff (C.S.C.C.)	12	8 4
T. E. Ling and Billy Yu (K.T.G.C.A.)	6	2 1/2 3 1/2
A. Kitchell and W. Howard (C.C.C.)	6	2 1/2 3 1/2
W. T. Lee and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	3	0 3
F. J. Remedios and B. T. Gosano (C.D.R.)	3	0 3
K. L. Ho and C. C. Wong (C.R.C.)	3	0 3
T. C. Lu and D. C. Luk (C.R.C.)	3	1/2 2 1/2
D. C. Luk and C. C. Luk (C.R.C.)	3	1/2 2 1/2
F. K. Lau and S. Cheung (C.R.C.)	3	1/2 2 1/2
Capt. Holmes and Lieut. Tomlinson (A.T.C.)	6	3 1/2 2 1/2
N. A. E. Mackay and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.)	12	9 1/2 2 1/2
G. A. White and R. S. Capell (K.C.C.)	12	9 1/2 2 1/2
K. L. Ho and T. C. Lu (C.R.C.)	2	0 2
O. L. Pang and C. C. Luk (C.R.C.)	3	1 2
H. Lin and P. Fletcher (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	1 2
H. H. Lin and K. M. Lee (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	1 2
F. Grose and R. Broadbridge (K.C.C.)	3	1 2
A. M. Rodrigues and A. E. Xavier (C.D.R.)	3	1 2
B. T. Gosano and L. A. Carvalho (C.D.R.)	3	1 2
H. F. Goncalves and J. C. Fonseca (C.D.R.)	3	1 2
T. J. Gould and T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	3	1 2
F. Grose and S. A. Gray (K.C.C.)	3	1 1/2 1 1/2
A. R. Kitchell and O. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	3	2 1
A. Rahmin and I. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	3	2 1
A. Kitchell and H. Y. Leung (C.C.C.)	3	2 1
H. K. Lee and J. W. Leonard (C.C.C.)	3	2 1
A. H. Barwell and J. J. Ferguson (H.K.C.C.)	3	2 1
H. K. Ho and L. K. Ma (S.C.A.A.)	3	2 1
B. T. Gosano and A. E. Xavier (C.D.R.)	3	2 1
O. Rumjahn and S. A. Ismail (I.R.C.)	3	2 1
Marsland Ma and P. F. Choy (C.R.C.)	3	2 1
O. Rumjahn and S. A. Ismail (I.R.C.)	3	2 1
A. R. Ismail and A. Rahmin (I.R.C.)	6	5 1
D. M. A. Razack and A. R. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	6	5 1
J. S. Theobald and A. H. Barwell (H.K.C.C.)	6	5 1
J. A. Bendall and W. J. Skinner (C.S.C.C.)	6	5 1
M. O. Hoosen and D. M. A. Razack (I.R.C.)	3	2 1/2 1/2
N. B. Nicholson and N. Spence (H.K.C.C.)	3	2 1/2 1/2
W. M. Barton and W. H. Jowit (H.K.C.C.)	3	2 1/2 1/2
G. W. Sewell and E. Bathurst (H.K.C.C.)	6	5 1/2 1/2
F. Grose and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.)	1	1 0
N. A. E. Mackay and R. S. Capell (K.C.C.)	2	2 0
N. Llewellyn and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.)	2	2 0
D. Hung and R. E. Lee (K.C.C.)	3	3 0
G. A. White and N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.)	3	3 0
R. S. Capell and E. Eyemard (K.C.C.)	3	3 0
W. J. Skinner and C. A. Lucas (C.S.C.C.)	3	3 0
W. J. Skinner and D. Hollidge (C.S.C.C.)	3	3 0
J. Wardle and E. Hendrick (C.S.C.C.)	3	3 0
E. Bathurst and W. H. Jowit (H.K.C.C.)	3	3 0
Sgt. Webb and Sgt. Whokes (A.T.C.)	3	3 0
Sgt. Webb and Sgt. Megson (A.T.C.)	3	3 0
A. M. Rodrigues and B. T. Gosano (C.D.R.)	3	3 0
L. A. Carvalho and F. J. Remedios (C.D.R.)	3	3 0
D. Hollidge and J. Wardle (C.S.C.C.)	0	0 0
C. Lucas and W. Colledge (C.S.C.C.)	3	3 0
M. O. Hoosen and A. R. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	3	3 0
D. M. A. Razack and A. Rahmin (I.R.C.)	3	3 0
C. C. Luk and C. C. Chiu (C.R.C.)	3	3 0
J. A. Bendall and I. Agafuroff (C.S.C.C.)	3	3 0

TO-DAY'S TENNIS

The following is to-day's "B" Division tennis League programme:—

A.T.C.	v	S.C.A.A.
C.R.C.	v	K.T.G.C.A.
C.D.R.	v	K.C.C.
C.S.C.C.	v	I.R.C.

ARMY TENNIS

There was considerable tennis activity at Sookunpoo yesterday, no fewer than four Army League matches being played.

Following were the results:

R.A.M.C. v. R.A.P.C.

In a First Division Army League tennis match at Sookunpoo yesterday, Royal Army Medical Corps beat Royal Army Pay Corps by 7 sets to 2.

Lieut.-Col. Smith and Major Harrison (R.A.M.C.) beat S/S. Adlam and Sgt. Murray 6-4

beat S/S. Carden and S/S. Pinkney 6-2

beat Sgt. Reed and L/Cpl. Stone 6-1

Sgt. Webb and Cpl. Parkin (R.A.M.C.)

lost to Adlam and Murray... 3-6

beat Carden and Pinkney... 6-1

beat Reed and Stone... 6-1

Cpl. Milne and Cpl. Musson (R.A.M.C.)

lost to Adlam and Murray... 1-6

beat Carden and Pinkney... 6-2

beat Reed and Stone... 6-1

5TH A.A. v. 12TH BATTERY

In another First Division Army tennis match, 5th A.A. Regiment, Royal Artillery, beat 12th Heavy Regiment, R.A., by 7 sets to 2.

Lieut. Tavener and Sgt. Morgan (5th A.A.)

beat McMurthy and Scorey... 6-0

beat Waller and Moon... 6-4

beat Elliott and Sealwork... 6-0

Lieut. Pearce and Sgt. Lavie (5th A.A.)

beat McMurthy and Scorey... 6-0

beat Waller and Moon... 6-0

beat Elliott and Sealwork... 6-0

Bdr. Savage and L/Bdr. Mew (5th A.A.)

lost to McMurthy and Scorey 5-7

lost to Waller and Moon... 0-6

beat Elliott and Sealwork... 6-3

R.A. v. R.E.

The Royal Engineers beat the 8th Battery, Royal Artillery, by 6 sets to 3, in another First Division Army tennis League match at Sookunpoo, yesterday.

Capt. Hook and Lieut. Skipwith (R.A.)

beat Major Grose and Capt. Wilkinson... 7-5

beat S/Sgt. Megson and Sgt. Denyer... 6-2

beat S/Sgt. Mitchell and Spr. Elsley... 7-5

Sgt. Shirlaw and Sgt. Marsh (R.A.)

lost to Grose and Wilkinson... 3-6

lost to Megson and Denyer... 1-6

lost to Mitchell and Elsley... 0-6

SEAFORTH v. R.A.S.C.

A further "A" Division Army tennis League match was played, when the Seaforth Highlanders beat the Royal Army Service Corps by six sets to three.

Capt. Powell and Sgt. Webster (Seaforth)

beat Moore and Sheridan... 6-1

beat Young and Martin... 7-5

beat Glen and Martin... 6-2

Major Macrae and C.S.M. Garrow (Seaforth)

beat Moore and Sheridan... 6-0

lost to Young and Martin... 6-8

beat Glen and Martin... 6-0

L/Cpl. Wyper and Pte. Moffat (Seaforth)

lost to Moore and Sheridan... 3-6

lost to Young and Martin... 1-6

beat Glen and Martin... 6-4

Aston Villa's Plans

Aston Villa, who did not play in the Regional competitions last season, have announced their intention of playing this season in whatever competition is promoted.

Agafuroff (C.S.C.C.)... 3 3 0

W. J. Skinner and B. Agafuroff (C.S.C.C.)... 3 3 0

D. Hollidge and C. Sloan (C.S.C.C.)... 3 3 0

M. O. Hoosen and A. R. Kitchell (I.R.C.)... 3 3 0

D. M. A. Razack and A. Rahmin (I.R.C.)... 3 3 0

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W. A. Reed and F. J. Remedios (C.D.R.)... 3 3 0

BRILLIANT BATTING BY CONSTANTINE AND SUTCLIFFE

A GATE OF 7,000 at Bradford yesterday realised £380 at a drawn one day match in aid of the Red Cross Fund.

The Bradford League team contained eight county cricketers and the West Indian Test cricketers Constantine and Martindale, and they were opposed to a strong Yorkshire XI which included Herbert Sutcliffe, the former England opening bat, who scored a brilliant 127 in 110 minutes, hitting one six and 16 fours.

For the Bradford League, Constantine played a typically breezy innings, hitting up 100 in only 60 minutes. Included in his score were three sixes and 14 fours.

Scores:— Bradford League—259 for 7 dec. (L. N. Constantine 100). A Yorkshire XI—209 for 6 (Herbert Sutcliffe 127).

TENNIS**SOUTH CHINA BEATEN**

Indian Recreation Club beat South China Athletic Association by 6 sets to 3 at King's Park yesterday in the "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League.

S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)

beat K. F. Lui and F. N. Wong 6-4

beat A. Chan and J. Hsu 6-3

beat W. C. Ho and H. C. Kwok 6-3

O. Rumjahn and I. M. A. Razack (I.R.C.)

lost to Lui and Wong 4-6

beat Chan and Hsu 6-3

beat Ho and Kwok 7-5

A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)

lost to Lui and Wong 2-6

beat Chan and Hsu 6-3

lost to Ho and Kwok 4-6

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I've been attending baseball games, both as spectator and writer, for 10 years, seen a number of fine plays, close games and thrills, but one play in particular stands out in my memory. I will not forget it soon.

The year, I believe, was 1931 and the scene the Race Course. Names and dates, with the exception of the hero of this story, escape me, but the name of the hero will not be forgotten, for, in my opinion, he was the greatest left-fielder ever to chase flies for the Fourth Marines in Shanghai. Chapin by name.

The Marine team with which Chapin was importantly identified, was playing that day and was leading by a single run when the opposing team came to bat in the final frame of the ninth inning. The first two batters were retired. Came a break and the next gent hooped it to first on a free pass. Then a passed ball enabled him to reach first, putting the tying run on the hot corner.

The runner took a long lead and was off like a shot when the batter cracked out a legitimate single between short and third. It seemed certain that the game would go into extra innings.

But Chapin, with split-second timing, took in the situation at a glance, came in with express train speed, scooped up the ball and with his powerful throwing arm whipped it to first, a sack guarded by the redoubtable "Pinky" Passmore. Before the ball could reach first the runner was across the pan.

But the sphere beat the batter to first by a fraction of a second, to retire the side and end the game. The batter was dumb-founded and could scarcely believe it. The run, of course, didn't count because the batter

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BY FRANK BURTON
(As told to Hal P. Mills of the Shanghai "China Press.")

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HOME FOOTBALL STARTING

The English Football League has announced that 68 clubs are competing in the forthcoming regional competitions which will begin on August 31. The competitions will continue until December 28. — Reuter.

FIVE SCOTTISH FOOTBALLERS SUSPENDED

The Scottish Football Association Emergency Committee recently suspended five Glasgow players for a month, to date from August 10.

The five involved are Venters and Symon (Rangers), and Divers, Lynch and McDonald (Celtic).

Although only Venters and Divers were sent off during the recent Glasgow Charity Cup-tie between the clubs, the Committee decided that the others were equally to blame.

The Committee also gave the two clubs a stern warning to take all steps to ensure not only discipline among their players but control of club supporters at Ibrox and Parkhead as well as at neutral grounds where they were visitors.

The scenes at the Charity Cup match were not confined to the field. Sections of spectators caused trouble on the terracing.

RUGBY PROSPECTS STILL VAGUE AT HOME

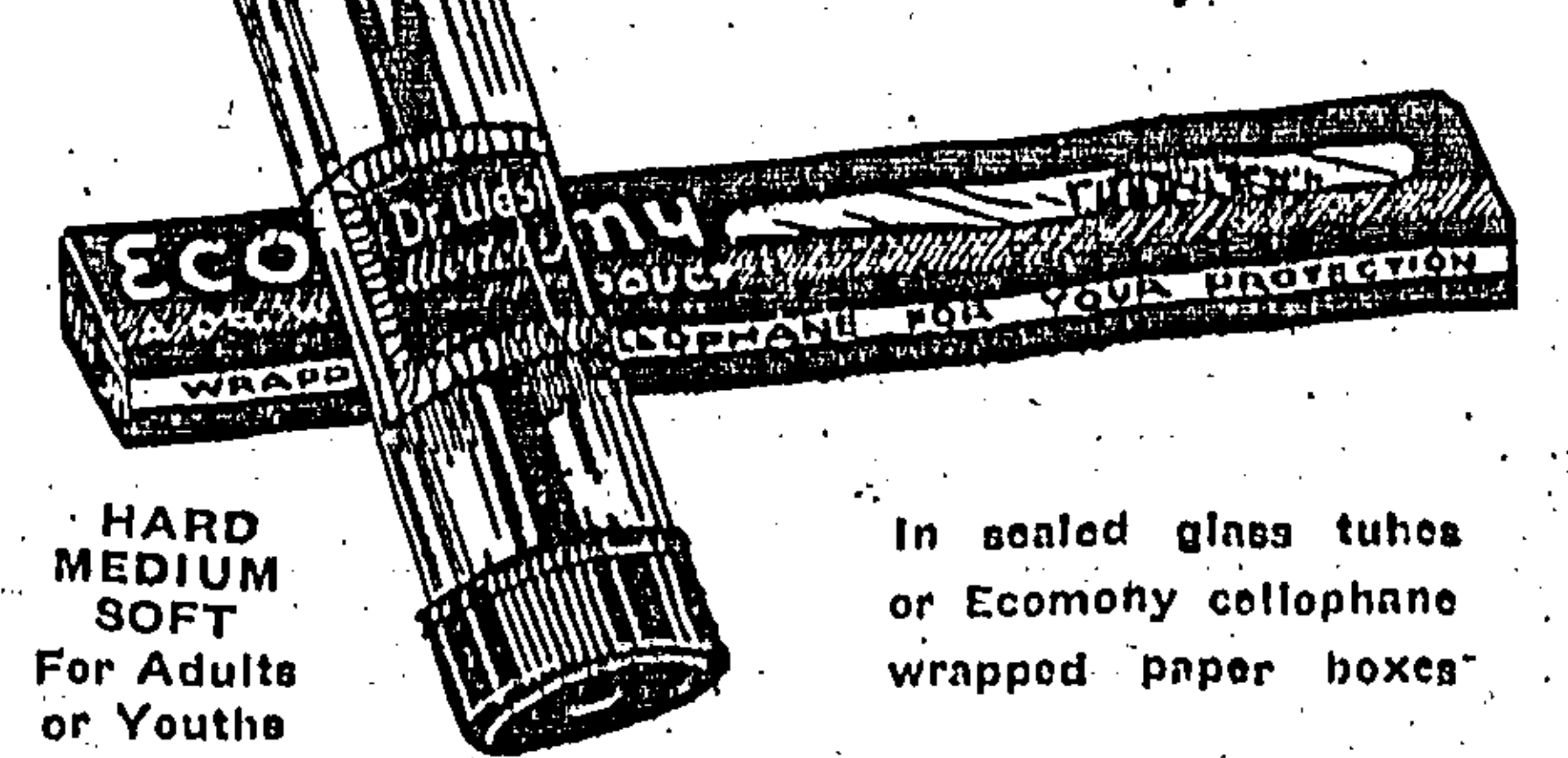
No decision as to next season was taken at the annual meeting of the Rugby League in Leeds. At the meeting of the Council Mr. G. F. Hutchins of Oldham, who presided, said the prospects for next season were quite indefinite, and it would be futile for the meeting to arrive at any decision.

In the report the council record a loss of £3,015, and a surplus of £23,304. Owing to the outbreak of war the international tournaments, Challenge Cup competition and county matches, amateur and professional had all to be abandoned.

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JAPANESE MOVE ON BRITISH SECTOR ISSUE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rear-Admiral Mori-ji Takeda, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Special Landing Party, acting as chairman of the Shanghai joint defence committee, today proposed that the commanders of the respective garrisons hold a special meeting on Thursday. The meeting will decide which defence force will take over police duties within the British defence sector after the withdrawal of the British troops. —Havas.

H.K. ACCEPTS AN INVITATION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Australia, New Zealand and South Africa have accepted invitations to participate in the Empire Conference at New Delhi next October when the question of war supplies will be discussed.

Burma, Ceylon and Hong Kong will be among the territories represented, while the Governors of British possessions in East Africa are also sending delegates.

Replies are still awaited from South Rhodesia and Malaya. —Havas.

JAPANESE FLOODING CHINA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Despite the restrictions imposed since May 20 on the entry of Japanese into China the Japanese population has increased steadily in China since.

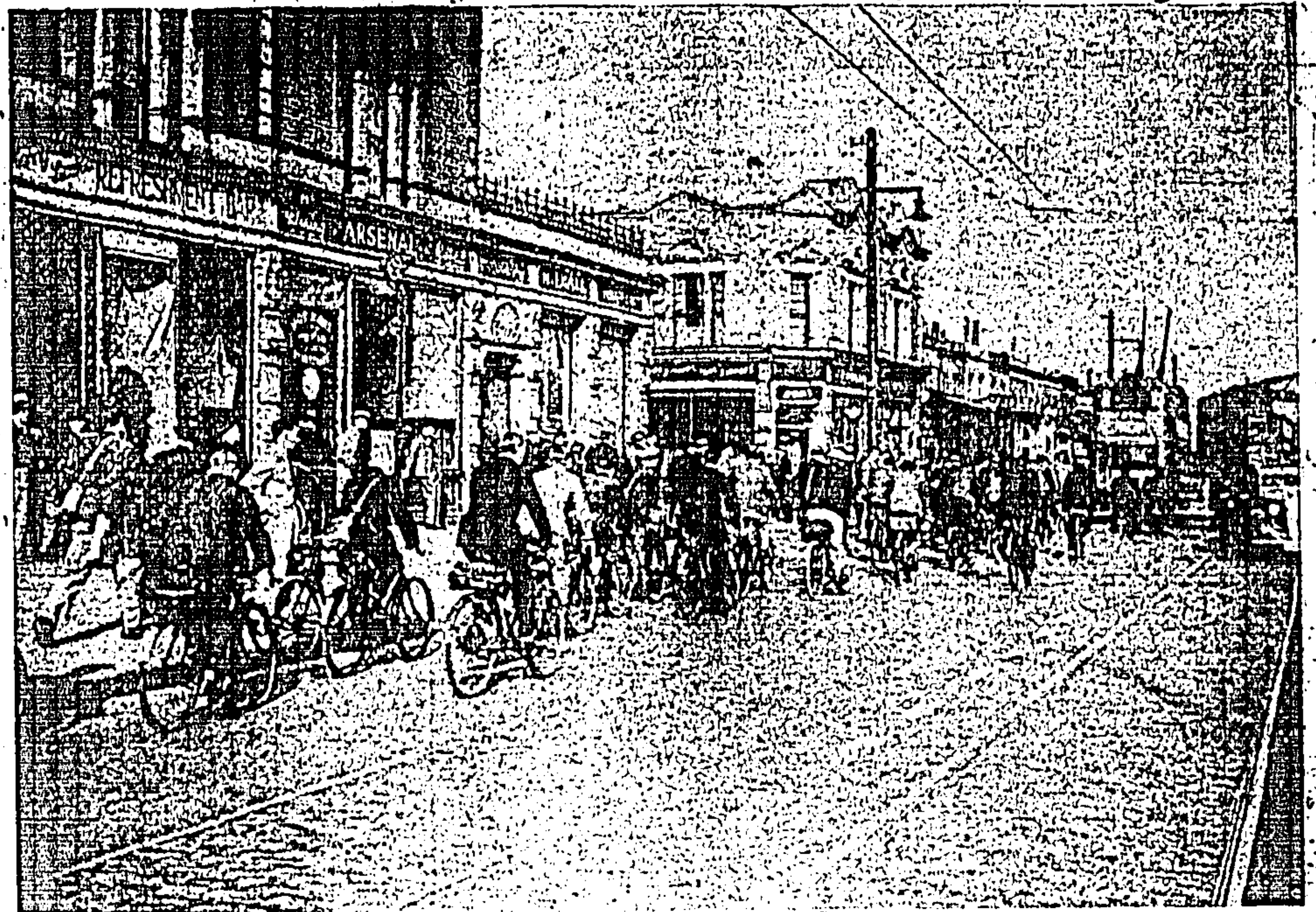
A census taken by the department of East Asia bureau in the Japanese Foreign Office shows the total number of Japanese residing in China was 452,000, an increase of 58,000 over April 1.

The number of Japanese in large centres were as follows:

Kalgan 20,500;
Peiping 67,000;
Tientsin 51,000;
Tsingtao 32,000;
Tsinanfu 18,000;
Nanking 10,000;
Shanghai 73,000;
Hankow 8,000;
Canton 8,500;
Amoy 8,800;
Swatow 1,700;
Hong Kong 937. —Havas.

THE ANNIVERSARY IN HONG KONG

The Third Anniversary of the outbreak of hostilities in Shanghai was commemorated quietly by the Chinese community in Hong Kong. All businesses continued as usual and the only function in connection with the celebration was the holding of a meeting of representatives of Chinese schools and other organisations at the Po Hing Theatre in Kowloon.



This is not an illustration of what petrol rationing has done to London's streets. The picture shows munition workers cycling to work early on a Sunday morning.

JAPANESE CONTRACT WITH REICH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

FOLLOWING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GERMAN CONCERN "AEG," A CONTRACT WAS SIGNED IN TOKYO YESTERDAY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO UTILITY COMPANIES, ONE IN TOKYO AND ONE IN CHINA, WITH THE JOINT PARTICIPATION OF GERMAN AND JAPANESE CAPITAL.

The contract was negotiated by Mr. Kon'ayashi, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, on behalf of the Tokyo Electric Light Co. of which he is a former chairman of the board of directors.

He undertook the negotiations when visiting Germany in April this year as a member of the Japanese economic mission which visited Germany and Italy.

The plan is subject to the approval of the Japanese and German Governments. The business of the two new firms would include the laying of power lines and the production of electrical apparatus of all types. —Havas.

LEATHER FROM EELS

(Special to "China Mail")

THE MASS PRODUCTION OF LEATHER FROM A SPECIAL TYPE OF EEL FOUND IN THE KOREAN STRAITS WILL BE STARTED SHORTLY BY A JAPANESE FIRM WHICH RECENTLY INVESTED THREE MILLION YEN IN THIS ENTERPRISE.

The eels are a little over a foot in length and are blind. They are found in deep water where they attack large fish like sharks by burying their heads deep in the victim's stomach and sucking their blood.

Their skin is a fine substitute for leather in the manufacture of gloves and handbags.

Oil from the eels is purchased in large lots by Osaka chemists and is believed to contain a considerable amount of hormones. —Havas.

TYPHOON FORMING EAST OF LUZON

A typhoon is probably developing to the east of South Luzon, the Royal Observatory reported this morning.

Pressure is highest over the Pacific to the east of Japan, and is relatively low over North China and the Pacific to the east of the Philippines.

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STOP PRESS

According to reports received to-day from French Indo-China, the Chinese Government representative in Haiphong has had a series of conferences with Admiral J. Decoux recently and that Admiral Decoux gave assurances that everything possible will be done to re-open the border for the transport of merchandise by Chinese business concerns.

It was learned this afternoon that eight "casualties" occurred in No. 1 Machine Gun Company, H.K.V.D.C., some of them suffering from the effects of the sun, following all-day manning exercises yesterday.

It was announced in Moscow to-day that the extension to August 6, 1941, of the trade agreement between the Soviet and the United States has now been ratified by the Council of People's Commissars and the President of the United States. —Reuter.

Extensive German air activity over several parts of England and Wales continued during the night and bombs were dropped in the south-east, north-west and south-west districts of England. Many German raiders, however, hung over the sea and beat a hasty retreat when British fighters approached. German bombers attacked Wales during a raid lasting several hours this morning. Bombs were dropped on coastal towns where houses were damaged and a number of casualties occurred. The raiders were repeatedly driven off by gunfire. —Reuter.

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